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## Portfolio

### £22,000 to be won

**There is £22,000 to be won today in *The Times Portfolio* competition: the weekly prize of £20,000 and the daily £2,000.**

**Yesterday's £2,000 was shared between two winners, Mr Gavin Rustomji of London and Mr Cyril Wallace of Bicester, Oxfordshire. *Portfolio* list, page 18; weekly price changes, back page Information Service.**

### Father of Down's baby jailed

Paul Brown, the father of Louise Brown, the Down's syndrome baby who disappeared last May, was yesterday jailed for five years after being found guilty of manslaughter. He had been charged with murder.

Susan Pullen, the childs' mother, received a six-month suspended sentence. Ian Brown, Paul Brown's brother, was jailed for nine months and his wife, Brenda, received a six months' suspended sentence Page 3

### Moscow shows Sokolov is well

Moscow television reported yesterday that Marshal Sergei Sokolov, the Soviet Defence Minister, met his Thai opposite number in a move apparently intended to quash Moscow rumours that the marshal had died. Tass also carried a report saying that he has invited his Czechoslovak opposite number to visit Moscow later this month.

### Possible PWR sites named

Two potential sites for the construction of a pressurized water-cooled reactor nuclear power station have been identified in North Wales. They are at Trawsfynydd and Wylfa. But there are no firm plans for development in the areas Page 2

### Bandsman dies

Corporal Sean Cripps, injured in the RAF band coach crash in West Germany which killed 20, has died at Rheindahlen

### Egg progress

A London hospital has taken an important step towards being able to thaw frozen human eggs and develop them into early embryos Page 3

### Joyride jail

The Irish government approved a plan to turn the former IRA prison on Spike Island in Cork harbour into a detention centre for joyriders, because of an upsurge in car thefts.

### IRA plot denial

Security sources in Northern Ireland have dismissed suggestions that the IRA had attempted to kill the Prime Minister before the Brighton bomb attack Page 2

### Greek retreat

The Greek Government has withdrawn a controversial proposal for quicker procedures to amend the constitution after stiff opposition Page 4

### Brazil hitch

Brazil's civilian President, Senhor Tancredo Neves, was rushed to hospital for an operation just hours before his swearing-in. His deputy stood in at the inauguration ceremony Page 4

### House gloom

Greater competition and lower costs on house conveyancing are still a long way off, according to critics of the Administration of Justice Bill Family Money, page 25

### Donovan quits

Mr Raymond Donovan, US Labour Secretary, facing larceny and fraud charges over a construction firm's activities, resigned

### Loan crisis

Ohio is closing 70 savings and loans institutions for three days as an emergency measure to halt a massive run on deposits Page 19

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# Israel plans to set up buffer zone in south Lebanon

**From Christopher Walker, Rosh Hanikra, Lebanon border**

Concern is growing that Israel has no intention of withdrawing completely from Lebanon but will instead establish a "security zone" running several miles beyond its northern border. The area would be controlled through its advisers serving with the Israeli-backed South Lebanon Army.

UN sources claim that attempts are being made by Shin Bet, Israel's internal intelligence service, to persuade militant Muslim residents to leave the zone. They fear that it may become a battleground for the Israelis and their new Shia Muslim enemies, with Israeli units rebased along the border making repeated forays into, and beyond, it.

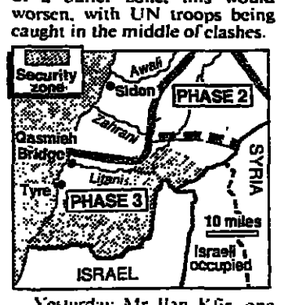
A detailed map predicting the shape of the zone is on display at the headquarters of *Unifil*, the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon.

The line stretches six miles north of the border and runs 35 miles from the shores of the Mediterranean to the foothills of Mount Hermon. It cuts through the Unifil zones and would leave territory now patrolled by units from France and Fiji cut off to the north.

The zone would be larger than that controlled for Israel by the militia of the late Major Saad Haddad before the 1982 invasion. Haddad's force became the SLA under General Antoine Lahad. Its weapons, training, uniforms and finance are provided by Israel.

No Cabinet decision has been made to establish the zone, but UN sources note that Mr Shimon Peres, the Israeli Prime Minister has spoken favourably of the idea in a number of recent speeches. Some right-wing Israeli politicians have advocated basing the Israeli army permanently in the buffer zone.

UN officials claim that the setting-up of a new security zone would make the already difficult peace-keeping role of Unifil almost impossible. There is considerable friction between the Israelis and Unifil troops, particularly the French. The belief is that after the formation of a buffer zone, this would worsen, with UN troops being caught in the middle of clashes.




Yesterday Mr Ilan Kfir, one of Israel's leading political correspondents, disclosed in the Tel Aviv newspaper *Hadashot* that moves are underway inside the Cabinet to secure formal approval for the establishment of the zone under nominal SLA control. He reported that the concept was backed by Mr Peres and supported by a majority of ministers.

Mr Ariel Sharon, the chief architect of the 1982 war, has proposed to the Cabinet that a zone stretching 30 kilometers north of the border and open to action by mobile Israeli units should be considered. Informed sources believe that a narrow strip will be approved.

Israeli Arab affairs experts, including Dr Clinton Bailey, a former adviser to the Defence Ministry, have given a warning that attempts to establish a Christian-dominated buffer zone will increase the chances of permanent hostility between Israel and the Shia Muslim majority of south Lebanon.

Threats by Shia leaders to take the guerrilla war into Galilee are being taken seriously and municipal leaders from northern Israel have been invited to attend tomorrow's Cabinet meeting in Jerusalem.

The signs are that advice against the setting up of the buffer zone has been ignored. Speaking this week about *Israel's future intentions* to soldiers who conducted the raid on the village of Zrariye, in which 34 people were killed, Mr Yitzhak Rabin, the Defence Minister, stressed that Israel would continue operating in Lebanon after stage three of the pullback is complete.

"We are trying to implement the government decision but we want to make it clear to them (the Lebanese) that wherever there are terrorists, wherever an operation against us is initiated, we shall get there." Mr Rabin said. There are no lines and no borders that will offer shelter to anyone who harms us."

● **BEIRUT:** The Israeli Army arrested four journalists near Tyre yesterday, reliable sources said (AFP reports). They were last seen in an Israeli military vehicle near El-Bas with their eyes blindfolded.

**'They attack us from everywhere'**

# Fear and tension on frontline

**From Robert Fisk**
**Israeli frontline**

**The Israeli soldiers were covered in dust, their uniforms filthy, their faces lined with tiredness. Amid their earth revetments, they had suffered another mortar attack from the Lebanese guerrillas north of the Litani. Their logistics base on the El-Bas road to the south had been bombarded by Katyusha missiles.**

**The rockets had been fired just next to me on the seafront boulevard in Tyre, two missiles that swept through the night sky with an earsplitting screech, a bright flame on their tails followed by two thunderous explosions across the darkened bay.**

**The Israelis had first *thought they were being shelled* from the sea and their tracer bullets had skipped off the waves after the attack. Yesterday morning, Israeli troops and Shin Bet intelligence men had cordoned off a section of the seafront in a hopeless search for clues. Although they did not know it, they were more than 500 yards from the launch site.**

**On the Israeli frontline at *the Qasmieh Bridge* yesterday, you could almost feel the fear and tension. Israeli troops sat in their broken dirt revetments, Galil assault rifles cradled on their knees, some wearing *yarmulkas* on their heads, counting the 11 days they have still to stay in Lebanon.**

**"A few had clearly been deeply affected by their experiences, blaming even the Press for the military swamp in which they found themselves. "Goodbye, you son of a whore", one said in quiet but articulate Arabic as I drove past his armoured personnel carrier.**

**Others were more polite. A bearded, 26-year-old private who gave his name as Amir announced shyly that he was to be married in 20 days time to a 19-year-old girl. "I can't telephone her. I have no contact with her", he said softly. "I can't even wash here. I feel dirty. When I want to wash, I have to go to El-Bas camp and when I go there, all the rooms are full of soldiers sleeping."**

**Even as we spoke, a mortar explosion vibrated through the air from the Israeli position up the river. Amir had lost two of his friends in a mortar attack**

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Five gunmen kidnapped Mr Brian Levick, a British businessman, in west Beirut yesterday and the British Ambassador advised all Britons in the mainly-Muslim sector of the Lebanese capital to leave (Reuter reports from Beirut).

Mr Levick, aged 59, was the second Briton abducted here in two days. The British embassy said gunmen dragged Mr Levick from his car outside his home.

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## MPs to get defence information

**By Julian Haviland**
**Political Editor**

Two separate obstacles to the *proper examination* by Parliament of the Government's £18,000 million defence programme yielded yesterday to pressure from the Public Accounts Committee of the Commons and its principal adviser, Sir Gordon Downey.

In one case, Sir Gordon, the Comptroller and Auditor General, reported to the committee on Thursday that the Treasury was being denied information from the defence industry with which to verify a 15.5 per cent target rate of return on non-competitive contracts worth more than £5,000 million a year.

The Government had accepted the recommended rate of return, although industry was withholding the basis of the calculation on the grounds of commercial confidentiality. MPs on the committee were disturbed at the Treasury's failure to extract the information the Commons would need in judging the reasonableness of defence contractors' profits.

Last night, after Sir Gordon's observations were reported prominently in *The Times*, a Treasury spokesman said: "The Treasury has just been given the information we wanted. We are examining it urgently and will be able to respond to any questions the PAC may put to us."

The second case concerns the cost of maintaining defence stores with a replacement value of more than £5,000 million where the PAC, on the strength of evidence gathered by Sir Gordon, has been pressing since last summer for savings to be made.

On Wednesday, the committee was told by Sir Clive Whitmore, permanent undersecretary at the Ministry of Defence, that a report prepared for Mr Michael Heseltine, the Secretary of State, by Mr Peter Levene, his private adviser, found that stockholdings were not extravagant. When the committee asked for the Levene report to be made available to the Controller, Sir Clive, on Mr Heseltine's instructions, said it was private and could not be released.

The indignant committee members cut short their evidence session with Sir Clive, and their chairman, Mr Robert Sheldon, Labour MP for Ashton-under-Lyne, said members were "extremely dissatisfied".

**Young, fresh and fun is the London look drawing an international crowd of buyers and press to the fashion shows this weekend. Fashion week has 32 runway shows and a major export selling exhibition at Olympia.**

**One of yesterday's eye-catching offerings (above) came in the Jaspar Conran collection: a sharply-patterned evening outfit set off by a bold plain bow at the neck.**

**Fashion editor of *The Times*, Suzy Menkes, reports on the London shows on Monday and Tuesday.**

## Cruise will be deployed in Belgium

**From Ian Murray**
**Brussels**

Belgium is to keep its promise to Nato and allow immediate deployment of 16 cruise missiles on its territory. They should be operational at the Florennes air base by the end of the month – exactly on schedule.

The Prime Minister, Mr Wilfred Martens, brought months of agonising indecision about deployment to an end yesterday, when he told a very noisy Parliament that failure to honour the Nato timetable "would work against the desired end of a substantial reduction in the threat which weighs on Western Europe".

The decision had only been taken, however, after the Soviet Union was given a last chance to reconsider its policy of

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deploying SS20 missiles. Mr Leo Tindemans, the Belgian Foreign Minister, had seen his Soviet counterpart, Mr Andrei Gromyko, in Moscow on Thursday after President Chernenko's funeral. He had left convinced that Russia intended to pursue and amplify its deployment policy.

Mr Martens told the Parliament that if the Soviet Union had been prepared to accept a separate agreement on medium-range nuclear missiles, "Belgium would have postponed installation of the first 16 missiles until the end of the first session of negotiations (in Geneva) in order to give them the greatest chance of success".

"The Soviet response was that the uncoupling of the negotiations on medium-range missiles was impossible given that the USSR considered these weapons to be strategic and

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## Howe doubt over 'Star Wars'

**By Henry Stanhope**
**Diplomatic Correspondent**

Serious British doubts over President Reagan's Star Wars plans were expressed by Sir Geoffrey Howe in London yesterday.

In a major policy speech which will win him few friends in the White House, he urged the Americans to proceed with their research only with the "utmost deliberation", in case the risks outweighed the benefits in the end.

The Foreign Secretary concluded that there were attractions as well as risks in moving towards a defensive strategy as envisaged in the President's Strategic Defence Initiative.

But an audience which included 11 ambassadors and high commissioners heard him pose a series of questions "so vital to our future that we cannot afford to shrug them off."

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## NCB figures show 11,500 miners have left industry

**By Barrie Clement, Labour Reporter**

More than 11,500 miners have left the industry since the start of the pit strike, according to provisional estimates by the *National Coal Board*.

The figures mean that membership of the National Union of Mineworkers has fallen from 195,800 in March, 1984, to around 184,300 now.

In Scotland more than 3,000 men have left, with a further 900 applications for redundancy under consideration, according to statistics published yesterday. Members of all the pit unions have volunteered for redundancy, leaving a total regional workforce of around 11,000.

The coal board says that, after its announcement last March that it wanted a cut in capacity of four million tonnes, interpreted by the NUM as equivalent to closing 20 pits with the loss of 20,000 jobs, there had been 20,000 inquiries about voluntary redundancy.

The Government believes the figures vindicate their policies and that despite union opposition, many NUM members are willing to opt for severance.

Mr David Hunt, Minister of State for Energy, said yesterday that more jobs would be lost in the industry because of the dispute. A national assessment of damage to coal faces was only now beginning to show the full extent of the problem, but the coal board's guarantee of no compulsory redundancy would be maintained.

He calculated that 38 working faces had been lost and 70 to 80 more were giving cause for concern.

The NCB criticized a report in *The Times* yesterday on impending changes at the top of the organization. The board denied that Mr Peter Walker, Secretary of State for Energy, has objected to proposals for reorganization, or that Mr Ian MacGregor, the chairman, might eventually take a reduced role as non-executive chairman.

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# Flagship of South Africa's liberal press to close

**From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg**

The flagship of South Africa's liberal English-language press, the *Rand Daily Mail*, is to be closed at the end of April and replaced by a new national financial daily, entitled *Business Day*, which will appear for the first time on May 1.

The closure of the paper, which was widely admired and respected abroad for its crusading campaigns against apartheid, was announced last night by the directors of South African Associated Newspapers, the group which owns it, after months of rumours about its future.

Most observers here regard it as a supreme irony that the *Rand Daily Mail*, which earned the undying hatred of successive National Party governments, should finally have been killed not by official fiat but by its own management and by cut-throat competition between English-language newspapers here for declining advertising revenue.

In a statement on the closure, the group said it had become clear that the paper could "not achieve profitability in a grossly overtraded market." It had accumulated losses of 45.5 million rand (£21 million) over 10 years, including 15 million rand last year.

*Business Day* would be "similar in style and format to Britain's *Financial Times*, with an emphasis on the reporting of local and international financial news."

It would be published in Johannesburg, Cape Town, Durban and Port Elizabeth, becoming the first nationally circulating South African daily newspaper.

An estimated 300 employees would be redundant but some would be offered re-employment on the new publication, the group said.

Mr Rex Gibson, editor of the *Rand Daily Mail*, told *The Times* last night that the paper's closure was "a tragedy for a proud newspaper and for the country". A former editor, Mr Allister Sparks, said: "One of the world's great crusading newspapers has been killed by years of inept management."

The *Rand Daily Mail* was founded in 1902 and was modelled on the new style of popular journalism pioneered by the *Daily Mail* in Britain. Its first editor was Edgar Wallace.

For much of its early history it was a jingoistic supporter of the political and commercial interests of British imperialism.

Its crusading phase began in the late 1950s under the editorship of Mr Laurence Gandar. In the late 1950s it gained worldwide attention with its courageous exposé of conditions in South Africa's prisons, in defiance of legislation restricting reporting of such matters.

## Brittan's life jail warning to fans

**By Nicholas Rothwell**

**Hooligans could face life imprisonment for the most serious offences committed in the latest wave of soccer violence, Mr Leon Brittan, the Home Secretary, said yesterday.**

**Mr Brittan, speaking to Conservative students at Nottingham University, also said that young soccer fans "who get caught up in this mass lunacy" might be banned from Saturday afternoon matches.**

**His strong stand came as the Government readied itself for concerted action to address the problem of soccer violence.**

**The Football Association has been told to provide a report within a week outlining its plans to deal with hooliganism on the scale of Luton this week.**

**Yesterday Brentford, which was due to play host to Millwall on Saturday, *cancelled the game*.**

**Brentford officials said that building work would make it difficult for the police to keep rival fans apart.**

**Meanwhile, Mr Edward Taylor, Conservative MP for Southend East, called for the reintroduction of the birch as a penalty for violence. He said that would be a more significant response to the Luton rioting than the commissioning of reports and inquiries.**

**As soon as the Football Association report is ready, Mrs Margaret Thatcher intends to meet FA officials to work out ways of dealing with clubs with a record of associated violence.**

**The government's tone was set by Mr Brittan, who said: "I share to the full the concern and revulsion of the public and the overwhelming majority of soccer supporters at these outrages".**

**"Football riots are nothing less than outbursts of savagery, they threaten the future of football, and they smear the country's good name abroad," he said.**

**Also the FA chairman Mr Bert Millichip, said that England's appalling record of soccer violence had cost it the right to host the European Football Union's championship in 1988. He said scenes of hooliganism such as those at Luton were solidly involved in the European Football Union's decision to choose West Germany.**

**● Rotherham United said yesterday that its third division game with Millwall on Tuesday would go ahead.**

**The club's secretary, Mr Norman Darnill, said Millwall fans and officials were assured of a warm welcome.**

**"We don't expect a lot of Millwall supporters because it is a midweek match, a long way from home. But those who come will be escorted into a part of the ground well segregated and escorted out afterwards."**

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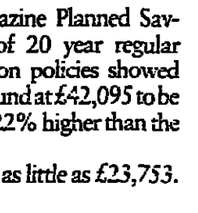


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# Nuclear reactor construction sites identified in Wales

By David Young, Energy Correspondent

Two potential sites in north Wales have been identified for the construction of a pressurized water-cooled reactor nuclear power station of the type which was the subject of the Sizewell public inquiry and which is yet to be approved by the Government.

The selection of one site, Trawsfynydd, would involve building two water-cooling towers on the coast within the Snowdon national park or enlarging a man-made lake near by to provide cooling water.

The other, at Wylfa, would require a new line of transmission towers (pylons) across Anglesey to link the station to the national grid.

The sites have existing small capacity Magnox nuclear power stations and are in addition to the five identified by the Central Electricity Generating Board as sites for future PWRs, if permission is given to build one at Sizewell.

The CEGB has annouced that as well as a second Sizewell PWR unit future PWRs could be built at Hinkley Point, Somerset; Dungerness, Kent; Winfrith, Dorset; and Druridge Bay, Northumberland. Of the seven sites identified, only Druridge Bay is not owned by the CEGB and would involve building on a green-field site.

The choice of Wylfa would involve the building of a new transmission line as the two existing lines from North Wales to substations at Deeside, near Chester, and Legacy, near Wrexham, have no spare capacity since the opening of the Dionorwig pumped-storage hydro-electric station.

The Magnox stations at Trawsfynydd and Wylfa, producing 390 megawatts and 840 megawatts respectively, would be replaced by one PWR nuclear station producing 1,100 megawatts. But the CEGB is also considering one advanced gas-cooled reactor station producing 1,300 megawatts.

Sir Walter Marshall, CEGB chairman, said last night that there were no firm plans for development in north-west Wales, but recognized the local concern about employment prospects once the Magnox stations reached the end of their operational life. (They are expected to produce power into the late 1990s and probably into the next century.)

Sir Walter said: "Our objective is to seek a reasonable balance between the technical, economic, environmental, and social factors; to put forward proposals which will meet the CEGB's statutory responsibilities and also enable us to respond to local concerns, particularly about long-term employment prospects."

The CEGB employs about 1,500 people at the two north Wales nuclear stations, but is emphasizing that the PWR option is a long term proposal.

The next wave of nuclear power station construction, although the CEGB has not ruled out building a large new coal-fired station before the end of the century, will be in the south to even out the north-south flow within the national grid.

# Rift opens in London councils' rates fight

By Hugh Clayton

Inner London councils may soon abandon their united stand against rate capping, the Association of London Authorities, said yesterday. Mrs Margaret Hodge, its chairman, and Labour leader of the capped Islington council, said that the councils might divide into two groups, each equally determined to defeat rate capping and win back government grant withdrawn since 1979.

It was the first time that the London councils at the heart of the rate-capping clash had admitted in public that they might not all continue refusing to fix rates umil the Government dismantled its curbs on them.

Mr Edward Knight, leader of Lambeth council, dismissed suspicions that his authority might soon be forced to fix a rate because its Labour majority was small.

The meeting was held amid confusion over the attitude to tactics against the Government of Mr Ken Livingstone, leader of the Greater London Council. First he issued a statement describing an article about him in *The Times* yesterday as "a complete distortion of my contribution to *The London Programme*."

London Weekend Television, which produced the programme which was broadcast last night, stood by its written account of Mr Livingstone's contribution. That account was used as the basis of the article in *The Times*.

Mr Livingstone's staff agreed later yesterday that the article had been accurate, but insisted that the headline "Livingstone calls on Labour councils to obey rate capping" misrepresented his views. "I made it absolutely clear that resistance to rate capping must continue," Mr Livingstone said

When Mr Livingstone's office was asked by *The Times* on Thursday for clarification of the television company's claims about him, its advice was to ask the company. His staff agreed yesterday that there was now a gap between the public positions of Mr Livingstone and the leaders of the capped Labour London borough councils.



The right touch: Mrs Thatcher (above) using a computer yesterday at Videcom's headquarters at Henley, Oxfordshire, with Travel Systems co-ordinator Mrs Alex Ward, and right, Christine Corbett, who sang 30 arias in aid of the Cancer Research Campaign accompanied on piano by Mr John Gummer, MP, (left) and Mr Norman Hogg, MP.

# Snow, but warmer weather on the way

By David Nicholson-Lord

Winter returned to Britain yesterday, with showers of snow and sleet in most parts and temperatures below zero in the north of Scotland. More wintry showers are forecast for today but warmer, drier weather should return during the next few days, according to the London Weather Centre.

Heavy snow fell in the Thames Valley, the Berkshire and Oxfordshire borders and on the hills of Cheshire and Staffordshire, where the A54 was blocked and the A5002 and A537 were passable only with extreme care. Snow and hail in the Greater Manchester area led to difficult conditions on the M6, where speed limits were imposed and traffic slowed almost to a standstill in places.

Temperatures throughout Britain dropped by up to eight or nine degrees Fahrenheit below normal with strong winds, approaching gale force in Scotland and Northern Ireland, adding to the chill on the west coast.

The centre said that low pressure over Sweden was to blame, bringing cold winds over Britain from north of Iceland instead of warmer westerlies from the Atlantic. A spokesman added: "This is not unusual in March when we have a few fine days and people see the crocuses and begin to think of spring, and then the winds go northerly and the temperatures suddenly drop."

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## Grappling with football violence

# The scourge that stalks the terraces

By Nicholas Rothwell

**Throughout the past two years of mounting football violence, experts and government study teams have been grappling with the basic questions: what triggers football riots: what are the root causes and how can the violent hordes be contained?**

**Professor John Cohen, professor of psychology at Manchester University, suggests that "the game itself is an incarnation of violence: the match a sort of Saturday poultice bringing a week's frustration to an end".**

**The former Archbishop of Canterbury, Lord Coggan, recently spoke of "erruptions of violence among the young because they are frustrated and in some ways hope-less".**

**The most thorough study of soccer violence since the problem flared to its latest level is the report of a Government working party on curbing hooliganism, published last August. The Department of the Environment study said matches between "high-risk clubs" should be played during mid-season and not on Bank holidays.**

**That report also advised that: high-risk clubs should not play away at large seaside towns during public holidays; a "league table" of clubs with a bad record of violence should be drawn up and electronically read membership cards for supporters should be introduced.**

**The only sure way to prevent violence inside football grounds was to prevent potential hooligans from gaining access.**

**"The basic principle would be that access to football grounds would be limited to members of a recognized supporters' club or a national supporters' club; enforcement would be through an electronically read membership card at the turnstiles", the report said.**

**"Membership would be withdrawn from anyone found guilty of violence associated with soccer."**

**Much of the pressure for "ID" cards comes because of concern over rioting by British supporters in Europe.**

**The first report by European governments on football hooliganism dismissed the idea of a card system as being too expensive.**

**The European report, published in 1983, listed tough recommendations for dealing with football violence and recommended jail for fans who commit violence abroad, with sentences served in the country of conviction.**

**The report also emphasized the need to segretate supporters, to restrict the sale of alcohol near grounds and for police and football authorities to co-operate closely.**

**The 1984 Government report on Football Spectator Violence points out that the difficulty is limited, but still present.**

**"Violence at domestic football matches is sporadic and local and associated with a relatively small number of clubs."**

**This will be scant consolation for the victims of the violence at this week's Luton-Milwall match – and the recommendations of the official report may not be firm enough to deal with this crisis.**

**In particular, the report avoids calling for a ban on alcohol at games, although this measure was extremely effective in limiting violence when introduced in Scotland.**

**The debate about football violence will have to adjust to the new reality of today's soccer match. The only means of controlling the supporters, short of a thorough-going re-examination of the entire process of policing them, may be that chosen yesterday by Brentford, which simply cancelled its scheduled game today against Milwall.**

# A dressing down for Eton's image

An article in the Eton College newspaper, *The Eton Chronicle*, complains that the casual clothes that pupils are told to wear outside school to make them less conspicuous to an increasingly hostile public are in fact so conservative as to make them stand out.

Andrew Brown, a pupil, writes: "As teenagers in Windsor we are the only ones in jacket and tie, we not only stand out but we provide an obvious target." Pupils are required to wear a conventionally cut tweed jacket, and black shoes.

# Football chief stole £42,000

A man who turned a village football team into a semi-professional club and then stole £42,000 to keep it afloat, was jailed for 12 months at Oxford Crown Court yesterday.

Wilf Goddard, aged 67, chairman of Clanfield soccer club, Oxfordshire, had already spent £50,000 to £60,000 of his own money and sold his cottage to finance the club. He admitted nine counts of stealing cheques from Graham Ford, builders' merchants, for whom he worked until 1983, and one charge of false accounting. He asked for 30 other offences to be taken into account.

# Badger hunters 'bloodthirsty'

Magistrates at Croydon yesterday described as horrifying and bloodthirsty the actions of two men from Old Coulsdon who admitted baiting and killing badgers to add to their collection of stuffed animals.

Mark Starks, aged 20, a labourer, and Andrew Hull, aged 19, unemployed, used lights to dazzle badgers in Happy Valley Woods, Old Coulsdon, Surrey, so they could be caught by three lurcher dogs and then beheaded. Both were remanded for reports. Starks on bail and Hull in custody.

# Bank manager stole £113,000

Muhammad Din Khan, manager of the National Bank of Pakistan in Edinburgh, embezzled £113,000 from the bank in a week last August to pay off gambling debts of more than £35,000 and finance an international tour of casinos, the High Court in Edinburgh was told yesterday.

Khan, aged 43, from Penicuik, Lothian, who was jailed for five years, was arrested in Switzerland as he was withdrawing money from a bank account. About £60,000 has been recovered.

# Remand for drug case diplomat

A Zambian diplomat was remanded in custody until March 22 at Uxbridge court yesterday charged with smuggling £230,000 of heroin into Britain.

Mr Godfrey Lubinga, aged 27, third secretary at the Zambian High Commission in London, was arrested after Zambia agreed to waive diplomatic immunity.

# Boating water

Thirlmere reservior in the Lake District is being made available to the public this year for casual boating by non-powered craft.

# Return to work at Aberaman backed

By Tim Jones

Amid angry scenes and accusations of betrayal, the 700 men at the smokeless fuel plant at Aberaman, Mid Glamorgan, who walked out in support of five victimized dismissed for intimidation, decided by a narrow margin yesterday to return to work tomorrow.

More than 2000 miners, at four pits which supply the plant, who had refused to cross picket lines established by men from Aberaman, are expected to report for duty on Monday.

The National Union of Mineworkers will now attempt to appeal through official channels for the reinstatement of the men, who were dismissed, after accusations of harassment of Mr Paul Watson, the only person who worked at the plant during the strike.

Mr Alan Maiden, the union lodge secretary at the plant, admitted, however, that he was not confident they would get their jobs back. "There is not much hope of success because it appears they have been sacked as an example to the rest of the coalfield", he said.

The coal board refused to give specific details of why the men were dismissed, although it is understood the main accusation against them was that they spat on Mr Watson.

During the week, Mr Watson said that his locker had been broken into and human excrement smeared on his clothes, and oil poured over him as he showered.

One of the five dismissed men, Mr Kelvin Devon, denied that any of them had been near Mr Watson when the incidents took place. "In our opinion, we are being made into scapegoats," he said.

Yesterday, while the 700 men were at a mass picket, Mr Watson drove to the plant unimpeded.

His wife Joy, who has run a gauntlet of missiles and abuse when driving her husband into the works, said: "We have gone out of our way to avoid doing anything to inflame the situation. My husband is a placid man and wouldn't want to harm anyone."

Dr Kim Howells spokesman for the NUM in South Wales, said: "I understand that Mr MacGregor himself has intervened in these sackings. "There are managers here who are perfectly capable of handling relations between the coal board and the NUM.

"We are absolutely furious with National Smokeless Fuels for their amateurish approach to industrial relations. All they are doing is causing further disruptions in production, and preventing our men from recouping some of the money they have lost."

# Minister's answer to teachers

By Our Education Correspondent

Measures such as recruiting temporary tutors and giving parents the money for private tuition, were yesterday recommended by Mr George Younger, Secretary of State for Scotland.

He told all Scottish education authorities that he was deeply concerned about the continuing damage to children's education. Teachers' strikes have been much more damaging than in England and Wales.

The biggest teachers' union, The Educational Institute of Scotland, has singled out schools in ministers' constituencies for indefinite strikes. Schools in Mr Younger's constituency have been on rolling three-day strikes since January 7.

Parents have hired private tutors, some in Strathclyde have sent the bills to the local authority, while in other areas parents are refusing to allow children to be taught by teachers who have been on strike.

Mr Younger has recieved 30 letters complaining that, because of the strikes, authorities are not meeting their duties in law to provide adequate and sufficient school education.

Next week the institute says that the education of 300,000 children in Scotland, a third of the total, will be affected as 1,600 teachers go on strike.

In a letter to all councils, Mr Younger asks them to consider five measures:

- Rearranging timetables so children receive more education on days without strikes.
- Opening schools during part of the Easter and summer holidays.
- Recruiting temporary tutors during school hours and in the evening.
- Financial help for pupils receiving private tuition.
- Providing rooms and facilities to tutorial groups organized by parents.

Authorities are also asked to examine whether teachers are fulfilling contracts of employment and what should be done if they are not. Scottish teachers are refusing a range of duties.

The teachers want an independent pay review which the Government has rejected. Mr Younger says he is prepared to talk to the unions so long as they will discuss conditions of service at the same time.

# NGA urges expulsion of journalists

By Barrie Clement
Labour Reporter

The inter-union conflict over new technology in provincial newspapers reached a new level of bitterness yesterday when the National Graphical Association called for the National Union of Journalists to be expelled from the TUC.

The NGA claims that by reaching an agreement on "direct input" at the *Express & Star*, Wolverhampton, the NUJ has contravened TUC rule 13 which deals with unions taking "action detrimental to the interests of the trade union movement".

The NUJ agreement comes while 160 members of the association at the paper are suspended for refusing to handle material keyed into the production computer directly from the advertising department.

Mr Jacob Ecclestone, deputy general secretary of the journalists' union and the official who signed the provisional deal which gives his members a minimum £15 a week extra, was described yesterday as a "Judas" by Mr Tony Dubbins, NGA general secretary.

The association issued a statement saying it was appalled by Mr Ecclestone's action. It said the agreement commits NUJ members to "take over" the work of the NGA who have been "locked out"

Mr Ecclestone said last night that he was "rather sad" that Mr Dubbins should reduce complex industrial problems to the level of personal abuse.

# Hattersley Budget priorities

By Julian Haviland
Political Editor

Mr Roy Hattersley, Labour's chief economic spokesman, said yesterday that the natural majority in Britain favoured his party's economic policies, and that opinion polls showed that a reduction in unemployment was the first priority.

Speaking at Wirksworth, Derbyshire, he said there was no doubt what most people wanted from next week's Budget. There was no majority for tax reductions financed out of further cuts in public services.

"No doubt the Tories will continue their attempts to cobble together a coalition of selfishness, a Conservative consensus of men and women who do not care about the unemployed and feel personally secure. Not for the first time the Tory party underestimates the British people".

Mr Hattersley said that the movement towards Labour was in part the result of the obvious "incompetence" of Mr Nigel Lawson, Chancellor of the Exchequer, but the main reason was the brutality of Conservative policy. Conservatives did not care.

"People know that a fairer and more compassionate society is possible. Nothing announced next Tuesday will bring it any nearer."

Mr Gerald Kaufman, the home affairs spokesman, said at Maltby, South Yorkshire, that what was needed was a Budget for jobs which would also be a Budget against crime.

# Thatcher apology to school

By Lucy Hodges, Education Correspondent

**Mrs Thatcher is to write a special school for partially sighted children in Warwickshire to apologize for wrongly accusing its teachers of going on strike.**

**The Prime Minister will also correct The record of Thursday's Question Time in *Hansard*.**

**Mrs Thatcher made a blistering attack in the Commons on teachers who went on strike in schools for the handicapped. "It seems to me just about one of the most despicable and disgraceful things for a teacher to do.**

**"For example, this week teachers are on strike at a boarding school for some 300 partially-sighted children, among others. I think it is utterly disgraceful."**

**Inquiries to the Department of Education and Science, which prepared her brief, elicited the information that the school was Exhall Grange special school, Warwickshire.**

**But the department was mistaken. Officials examined the National Union of Teachers' list of schools on strike this week, saw "Exhall Grange Sec", and assumed that was Exhall Grange special school.**

**The union had also made a mistake, the school it called ont on strike was Exhall secondary.**

**Mrs Thatcher will tell Exhall Grange that she is sorry about the misunderstanding, but that the NUT did not make it clear which school was being called out on strike.**

**The union condemned the Prime Minister's alacrity in criticizing teachers. Mr Doug McAvoy, deputy general secretary, said: "She implied that teachers are partly to blame for the rioting at Luton on Wednesday and for the general hooliganism that occurs at football matches and elsewhere.**

**"She was quick to launch a vicious attack again dedicated teachers only to find she had been wrongly informed." The union maintains that teachers in special schools have as much right to strike as other teachers.**

**This week it called out two such schools on strike.**

**Mr Fred Jarvis, the NUT's general secretary, said: "Teachers in special schools are among the most dedicated members of the profession, and they, like their colleagues elsewhere have voted to withdraw their labour only as a last resort."**

**● Teachers at Exhall Grange special school refused to comment last night.**

**But the deputy head of Exhall secondary school, Mrs Pat Newton, said: "The Prime Minister has acted very rashly in making such a damning statement on the basis of wrong information.**

**"There are a lot of us who feel very unhappy about her remarks that teachers' strike action is despicable and disgraceful. We are simply acting on the instructions of our professional association and we have every right to do so."**

# IRA hints at earlier plots to kill Thatcher

From Richard Ford, Belfast

Senior security sources in Northern Ireland yesterday dismissed suggestions that the Provisional IRA had attempted to kill the Prime Minister before the Brighton bomb attack last year.

But they believe that the terrorists frequently discuss the idea of killing Mrs Thatcher and Government ministers even to the extent of perhaps carrying out intelligence-gathering operations and dummy runs. But it is not thought that any active service unit from the Provisional IRA had got beyond that stage until last year when the Provisional IRA bombed the hotel at which Mrs Thatcher was staying during the Conservative Party Conference in Brighton.

In an interview published in yesterday's *Irish Press* newspaper, a leader of the Provisional IRA was asked if the attack had been the first attempt to kill the Prime Minister. The reply was: "Put it this way, it was the first attempt on her life to hit the newspapers." Asked whether there had been other attempts that failed, the leader replied: "We're saying it was the first attempt on her life by us that got into the newspapers. Beyond that, we will refuse to elaborate."

It is not the first time that it has been suggested that the Provisionals have actively planned to kill the Prime Minister. After Brighton there was a suggestion that in 1983 one of their active service units had planned to bomb the Imperial Hotel at Blackpool during the party conference. The plot was allegedly called off because it had been too rushed, and the orders from the Provisional IRA's army council were that Mrs Thatcher should be attacked whenever the chance arose.

This fits in with the analysis of at least one senior security source who believes the Provisionals have the great advantage of surprise.

● Tottenham Hotspur have pulled out of a friendly football match with Portadown in Northern Ireland in August after a letter postmarked Co. Down arrived at the London club's White Hart Lane ground threatening players and supporters if they went to Ulster.

# RAF facing new round of cuts in flying fuel

RAF flying could be cut by up to 25 per cent in some areas this year because of fuel cuts. A ten per cent fuel saving agreed Last December to recoup £20 million overspent on Budget may now have to be revised, according to Whitehall sources. The decline of the pound has meant that the RAF is having to pay much more for fuel, and it is continuing to exceed its budget.

Operational flying, on the front line in Germany is likely to be exempt from the cuts, together with the Ethiopian drought mercy mission and flights to the Falklands, but training flights will probably be seriously affected.

# BBC plan for radio centre is questioned

By Charles Knevitt
Architecture Correspondent

The independent "value for money" report on the BBC is critical of the proposed £100 million New Radio Broadcasting Centre for the Langham Hotel site, opposite Broadcasting House in central London.

The new building would provide a corporate headquarters and the London radio operation, but accountants Peat Marwick, who produced the £250,000 review, question the need for the radio centre in such a prime location and suggest that there could be "one or more viable alternatives".

# Threat to Channel 4 over non-union operators

By David Hewson, Arts Correspondent

A threat to black out Channel Four if it attempts to increase its use of Britain's burgeoning independent production industry, has been made by Mr Alan Sapper, secretary of the Association of Cinematograph, Television and Allied Technicians (ACTT).

Mr Sapper, in an interview with *Broadcast*, the trade magazine, said that the independent sector was the Government's "Trojan Horse" in the bid to deregulate broadcasting.

The independents, who were created with the birth of Channel Four, are having discussions with the BBC, and many feel that the corporation will offer to employ them directly as part of the licence fee settlement.

But Mr Sapper predicted in the interview that the boom in independent production would lead to the next big television strike in three years.

He said that the union could not countenance any increased use by Channel Four of independents. "If Channel Four cut any further into the 50/50 split between independents and ITV programme-makers (who also supply the channel), we'd have to block it. First, by stopping production for Channel Four within the ITV companies. Then we'd black programmes. We control transmission at Channel Four."

The Government was already promoting the cause of the independents through the Home Office and the Independent Broadcasting Authority, Mr Sapper said.

# MP to help Murrell inquiry

By Rupert Morris

**Mr Tam Dalyell, Labour MP for Linlithgow, is to see Northumbria police on Monday as part of an inquiry into the murder a year ago of Mrs Hilda Murrell, the anti-nuclear campaigner.**

**Assistant Chief Constable Peter Smith, from Northumbria, is heading an independent assessment of the findings of West Mercia CID, who have so far described theories that Mrs Murrell, aged 78, was killed by someone working for MI5 as "pure speculation".**

**A Photofit picture of a wanted man, shown on Thursday night's BBC television programme *Crimewatch*, led to many calls which were being investigated yesterday**



Mrs Murrell: murder unsolved

**Detective Chief Supt David Cole, head of West Mercia CID, said information about an MI5 employee who had committed suicide after Mrs Murrell's murder had been known "for some time", and he remained unconvinced by any conspiracy theory.**

# Tax is due on death crash damages award

A High Court judge yesterday awarded £322,562 damages for the death of Paul Tegerdine a haulage contractor, who died in a car crash. But the Inland Revenue will take £60,000 in capital transfer tax because Mr Tegerdine did not leave a will.

His widow, Daphne, now remarried gets £25,000 and an interest for life in half his estate under intestacy laws and His two children, Mark, aged 22, and Karen, aged 18, get a life interest in the other half.

Mr Tegerdine was a passenger in a car driven by his wife when it was in collision with another car, in Norfolk in May 1979, driven Mrs Christina Plowright, of Westwick, Norfolk, who admitted liability, and was ordered to pay the damages.

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# Father sentenced to five years for killing of Down's syndrome baby

By Tony Samstag

The father of Louise Brown, the Down's syndrome baby who disappeared last May and has not been seen since, was yesterday sent to prision for five years, after a jury at the Central Criminal Court found him guilty of manslaughter.

Paul Brown, aged 31, of Tierney Road, Streatham, south London, received a four-year sentence for the killing, and an additional year for conspiring to pervert the course of justice by making false statements to police designed to conceal the baby's death. He had been charged with murder.

The jury of seven women and five men took nearly six hours to decide, by a majority of of 10 to 2, on the manslaughter charge.

Ian Brown, aged 34, Paul Brown's brother, of Streatham Common North, south London, was sentenced to nine months each on charges of conspiring and for impeding his brother's prosecution, sentences to run concurrently.

Susan Pullen, aged 30, the baby's mother, who lived with Paul Brown, received a six-month suspended sentence on the conspiracy charge, as did Ian Brown's wife, Brenda.

The seven-day trial was exceptional, not on its emotional content but in that it was one of very few murder prosecutions in which the body of the alleged victim had not been found.

The crown contended throughout that the defendants had woven "a web of lies and deception" about the baby's disappearance, and that the day before they reported her missing the father had killed her after a bout of heavy drinking, and over the hysterical protests of the mother.

The family had then disposed of the body perhaps near Brighton, Sussex, and subsequently pretending that their car with the baby in it had been stolen from outside a newsagent's shop in Battersea.

The defendants had denied all the charges.

Yesterday, Mr Justice McCowan, granting Pullen a suspended sentence, said that he was "wholly satisfied that you wanted to keep your baby and that you were a loving and caring mother".

"Her death was a matter of great distress to you, and I have no doubt that it was only out of loyalty to Paul Brown, and in an agony of mind, that you tried to cover up for him," he said.

As sentence was passed Brown took her hand. It was almost the only contact between them since the trial began.

Sentencing Paul Brown, the judge said that he was taking heed of defence pleas to draw "the most favourable inferences it was possible to draw". But he had set about concocting an elaborate plan "to conceal what you have done and you involved your family in that plan".

In the most distressing testimony of the trial, neighbours told how, in the early hours of May 27 last year, they had heard Pullen screaming, shouting and crying "No, don't do that". It was at that moment, Mr Roy Amlot, prosecuting, alleged, the child was killed.

After the trial had ended, Detective Chief Insp William Forman, who led the investigation, described the case as frustrating and "very very delicate". It was the only murder case without a body that he had known in 29 years in the force.

Although in theory police were still looking for a body, there was "no more searching to be done" and the case was unlikely to be reopened.

Louise Brown was born on May 13 in St Thomas's Hospital, London and was almost immediately diagnosed as a Down's syndrome baby. She was reported missing two weeks later, on May 28.



The four defendants involved in the trial pictured outside the court: – (top) Susan Pullen and Paul Brown, with (below) Ian Brown and his wife, Brenda.

# AA fears petrol costs threaten car repairs

By Clifford Webb

The latest petrol price increase, making the £2 gallon inevitable, will lead to more skimping in maintenance and more breakdowns, the Automobile Association said yesterday.

The AA's latest survey of motoring costs shows that last year the average motorist drove 69 fewer miles, paid £33 less on service and repairs, £3 less on insurance, and £20 less on petrol.

But the result was a record 13 per cent increase in breakdowns, up from 2.2 million in 1983 to 2.5 million. A new monthly expenditure survey of the most common cars on the road puts the Austin Metro 1000 in the lead.

The AA published its evidence to the Commons transport committee inquiry into toll charges on estuarial crossings yesterday, describing them as unfair, unsound, and inconsistent. The Severn bridge on M4 is tolled, but the Avon bridge near by on M5 is not. The little-used Erskine bridge is tolled, but the Clyde tunnel close by is not. The Forth and Tay bridges are tolled, but new bridges at Kessock (Moray Firth) and Ballachulish (Loch Leven) are free.

## Car costs per mile

| | Total p | Petrol p | Service p |
|---|---|---|---|
| Metro 1000 | 8.8 | 5.6 | 0.4 |
| Cavalier (post 1982) | 8.9 | 6.3 | 0.6 |
| Fiesta 1100 | 9.2 | 5.6 | 1.0 |
| New Escort 1300 | 9.7 | 6.3 | 1.4 |
| Sunny | 10.1 | 6.6 | 1.1 |
| Marina 1300 Mark 2 | 10.7 | 7.1 | 1.1 |
| Chevette 1256 | 11.2 | 7.2 | 1.0 |
| Cortina 1600 mk 2 | 11.6 | 7.4 | 1.5 |
| Cortina 2000 mk 2 | 11.7 | 8.1 | 0.9 |

# Youth team is planned for work in community

By Colin Hughes

The first steps towards forming a British "peace corps" of youth community service volunteers will be taken today, with or without government backing.

A conference organized by the Tawney Society, the Social Democratic Party's "think tank", is expected to established a non-party political working group, which will, for the first time, include industrialists and financiers prepared to fund voluntary service pilot schemes.

The group's first task will be to help organize research by the independent Policy Studies Institute.

The institute has already told the Society that it has funds for research, which would be into costings, the trades union's role, how to involve a cross-section of young people, and what sort of incentives would be needed to attract volunteers, they would also test and run piloy projects as models for a national scheme.

"Ideas for a British peace corps have been around for a long time now, but we believe we are at the point where we can start putting them into practice", according to Mr Mark Goyder, chairman of the society's group which last autumn produced detailed proposals in a report entitled *Count Us In*.

Mr Goyder said that the report had attracted considerable interest among industrialists, who wanted to see concrete proposals which they would then consider funding. It was hoped a series of successful pilot schemes would persuade the Government to back a national operation.

# Test-tube treatment given freeze boost

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspondent

Doctors and technicians at the Royal Free Hospital in London have taken a crucial step towards being able to freeze human eggs and later develop them into early embryos.

The advance could remove the need to freeze human embryos for test-tube baby treatment: one of the more controversial areas of the treatment programme.

But although the Royal Free work could eventually remove the need for freezing, it is likely that it would be halted if Mr Enoch Powell's private member's bill to ban embryo research becomes law.

The hospital's announcement came the day after Gregory Jackson, Britain's first frozen embryo baby, left St Mary's Hospital, Manchester, six days after his birth.

Up to now, scientists have been able to freeze and thaw human embryos and human sperms successfully. But human eggs have proved much more difficult. Freezing the eggs at – 196 degrees C has been possible, but when they have been thawed out attempts to fertilize them have failed because they have been damaged. The damage is thought to be caused during the removal of the cryoprotectant used to replace water in the egg.

It is similar to anti-freeze and prevents ice forming in the egg, which would fatally damage its membrances when it is frozen.

In a letter to *The Lancet*, however, a team led by Professor Robert Shaw, Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology at the Royal Free, report that they have successfully added a less-commonly used type of cryoprotectant to the eggs, removed it, fertilized the eggs, and then watched a resulting embryo develop to eight cells.

It is at this point in many test-tube baby treatments that the tiny embryo is replaced in the mother.

The next stage would be to freeze an egg and see if it can be successfully fertilized.

The team points out that freezing embryos raises many ethical issues. These include what to do with spare embryos if a first attempt for a test-tube baby succeds, how long the embryos should be kept in suspended animation, and whether, if a mother no longer needs them, they can be used for experiments.

A frozen embryo in Australia became the subject of international controversy last year after its parents, a rich American couple, both died in an aircraft crash.

The Royal Free team says that much more work is needed before the technique could become the basis of a test-tube baby treatment.

But if the technique proves successful, potential babies could then be stored as frozen eggs to be fertilized later.

# Accused GP says he was blackmailed

A doctor accused of making a woman patient pregnant during an "examination", yesterday claimed she and another man had been blackmailing him.

Dr Ahsanul Haque, aged 49, told a disciplinary hearing of the General Medical Council in London that he had never committed adultery with the woman, who was referred to as Mrs X.

He said that a £3,000 payment he had made through a solicitor in 1980 had not been for maintenance, but to prevent Mrs X's boy friend from carrying out a threat to harm his wife and kidnap their only son. He had not gone to the police because they had taken no action when he complained previously of racial harassment

Dr Haque, of Hythe Road, Willesborough, Ashford, Kent, is also accused of behaving indecently towards two other female patients.

Earlier, a former policewoman told the hearing that she was ordered to strip off her uniform and fondled by the doctor when she visited him complaining of an itchy nose.

The woman, known as Miss Y, said she reported the incident to her boy friend. He had said that although the doctor's behaviour "was clearly wrong", his experience as a police officer was that an independent witness would be needed for a "satisfactory conclusion".

The hearing continues.

# Senior police 'eager to leave'

By Peter Evans
Home Affairs Correspondent

A "flurry of early retirements of top policemen" was related to difficulties in leading a modern police force, by the Police Federation magazine, *Police*, said yesterday.

The job is not what it was, Tony Judge, the editor, writes, and some senior officers cannot wait for the chance to get out.

Last October, a reduction was agreed in the minimum retirement age of chief constables from 60 to 55.

Sir Patrick Hamill, Chief Constable of Strathclyde, and his deputy, Mr Alex Morrison, will both retire in August at the age of 55, Mr Peter Marshall, Commissioner of the City of London, will retire at the end of June after his 55th birthday, and Mr Kenneth Henshaw, Chief Constable of North Yorkshire, also aged 55, retired on February 6.

But around the country there is clear evidence of the problems facing today's chief constables, Mr Judge says. "Outside the Metropolitan Police, the chief officers of the largest forces in England and Wales, amounting to over 35,000 members, can all show the scars of recent encounters."

He says there is much speculation about the immediate future of Mr Kenneth Oxford, Chief Constable of Merseyside. "He has fought a series of battles with his police authority. In Greater Manchester, Mr James Anderton has been even more embroiled in public squabbling with his police authority.

He claims the relations between Sir Philip Knights, West Midlands Chief Constable, and his police authority came to grief when they censured him after the last of a number of highly publicized cases.

Before he left the North Yorkshire force, Mr Henshaw spoke of predominantly financial reasons for his retirement, related to speculation about possible tax changes that would affect pensions.

The possibility of tax changes is also the reason why four chief superintendents in the force have left in the past four months to protect their lump-sum payments.

# 'Cot death' causes are discovered

Evidence that partial explanations can be found for many "cot deaths" was published yesterday as a 200-strong conference of child care specialists called for more detailed post-mortem examinations on unexpected baby deaths. (Our Social Services Correspondent writes).

A study in London of 98 "cot deaths" led to the death certificate being changed in 20 cases after detailed examinations. Mrs Elizabeth Watson, a medical sociologist at the London Hospital Medical College reported in *The Lancet*.

Only in one case was the family doctor told, in five cases the parents were informed and the new diagnosis was not relayed routinely to the Office of Population Censusses and Surveys so they remained recorded as cot deaths.

Parents should be told where a possible explanation has been found, speakers at the conference, called by the Department of Health recommended

Mrs Watson said "If parents believe their child has died from a mystery illness they are bound to be worried it could strike again and are quite likely not to have other children. But some of these changed diagnoses showed pneumonia or blood poisoning which is quite unlikely to happen again. If we have a cause of death, the parents should have it.

"By failure to notify general practitioners an important source of help for bereaved parents is being neglected".

In the United States, parents receive a written report after a post-mortem examination in cases of sudden infant death. A similar system for informing parents of possible explanations for the death is needed, she said.

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# Schools for technology favoured

By Lucy Hodges
Education Correspondent

Government ministers are floating the idea of setting up special technological schools – the modern equivalent of the old technical schools – to prepare children better for a working life.

The idea, which will be regarded with horror by many educationists who say it would divide children into sheep and goats, is that many children need and want a more practical than academic education.

Many Conservative ministers bemoan the loss of the old technical schools. Mr Robert Dunn, the junior minister in charge of schools and Conservative MP for Dartford, says the demise of these schools was disastrous. "We need to reintroduce those technical schools to a new, modern, computer-age image," he says.

"We need to select children for such specialist schools according to each child's ability and aptitude to benefit from the education being offered at these particular schools."

Mr Dunn flew the kite of setting up these specialist, work-oriented schools twice last week, and Department of Education and Science sources yesterday confirmed that other ministers were also interested in the idea.

# Solicitors quit case on refusal of joint trials

Solicitors defending more than 30 students accused of offences during a visit to Manchester University by Mr Leon Brittan, Home Secretary, withdrew from the case yesterday when their applications for joint trials were refused at Manchester City Magistrates' Court.

Thirty-two students were charged with using conduct likely to cause a breach of the peace.

Part way through the hearing, Mr Vaughan and other solicitors withdrew from the case. Some students pleaded not guilty, and magistrates entered not guilty pleas on behalf ofthose who refused to plead, fixing trial dates in April.

# Fifth of micro outlets may be lost next year

By Bill Johnstone
Technology Correspondent

At least 20 per cent of equipment suppliers in the British microcomputer market will drop out within the next year, according to a report published by the National Computing Centre.

The prediction is based on an MCC survey which shows that in the past casualties in a year have been as high as one in three.

But the study says: "By no means all have gone down. The figure masks takeovers and mergers as well as those who have been retrenched into dealership or consultancy."

More than half the microcomputer systems on the market come from the United States, slightly less than a third from Britain and the remainder from Japan.

# £23,304 for Lindisfarne singer

Ray Jackson, the lead singer of Lindisfarne, the folk rock band, yesterday won damages totalling £23,304 in the High Court, from the record company he claimed had ruined his "promising" solo career.

Mr Justice Michael Davies, who made the award against EMI Records, said the company had not given the singer-songwriter a "fair crack of the whip" by promoting his records when he signed up with them as a solo artist in 1976. He awarded Mr Jackson and Mr Barry McKay, his manager, damages of £12,500, with interest from January 1978, making a total of £23,304.

The judge said that in 1978, when Lindisfarne temporarily broke up, Mr Jackson, now aged 36, had decided to try to make a success as a solo artist. With his manager he entered into a contract with EMI in October 1975 with a promise that they would release three singles in the first year.

But only one single was released, which left Mr Jackson with the "strong and burning conviction he had been let down by a company he had trusted", the judge said. Soon afterwards they made it clear to him they were not going to release any more records.

EMI had defended Mr Jackson's claim, saying that the first record had been a failure, selling only 300 copies, and that musical material provided by him was not satisfactory and would have been a commercial failure.

The judge said that Mr Jackson was not obliged to provide his own material under the contract.

Mr Jackson, of Church Street, Honley, West Yorkshire, rejoined Lindisfarne in 1978.

Mr Justice Davies found that EMI had failed to fulfil the contracts or demonstrate a justification in law or fact for not doing so, and that Mr Jackson and his manager were entitled to damages

# Aids screening 'needed to reassure the public'

By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent

A Department of Health operation to prevent the disease Aids being transmitted through blood transfusions is likely to find only a small number of people with the virus, but is still necessary to reassure the public, the Department of Health's chief medical officer said yesterday.

The department plans to test the blood of two million donors within the next year, but the chances of the virus being among them might be lower than one in one hundred thousand, Dr Donald Acheson said.

Different versions of a screening test, designed to detect antibodies to the Aids virus in the blood, are being developed in Britain and the United States. An American version is likely to be available first in Britain.

Before any testing begins, however, rigorous evaluation of the system will have to be completed. The difficulty with such tests is that the results may include both false positives, in which the person does not acutally have the antibodies, and false negatives.

Dr Acheson could not say yesterday when the screening test would be nationally available at blood transfusion centres and clinics for sexually transmittable diseases. There were substantial scientific and practical difficulties to be overcome first, he said. However, the test is likely to be widely in use later this year.

Dr Acheson described Aids yesterday as "certainly the most serious disease to strike many Western countries since World War Two". But although the disease might seem to be almost 100 per cent fatal early in its history, it was highly probable that minor forms of Aids, in which patients would recover, would be encountered.

There have been 132 cases of Aids in Britain since 1981. Fifty eight of the patients have died.

# Ministry launches £1.7m marshland experiment

By John Young, Agriculture Correspondent

A £1,700,000 experimental scheme to save thousands of acres of marshland in the Norfolk Broads from being drained and converted to cereal growing was launched yesterday by the Ministry of Agriculture and the Countryside Commission.

The project is of national significance, not only because of the ecological importance of the broads, but because it marks the first venture by the ministry into conservation. By coincidence the announcement follows closely an agreement in Brussels that agricultural grants can in future be paid for conservation purposes, and it presages a radical reappraisal of the whole grants system.

The scheme covers some 11,500 acres of the 50,000 acres for which the Broads Authority has overall responsibility, and includes the Halvergate Marshes which have been the subject of a prolonged dispute between farmers and environmentalists.

About 150 farmers will be offered compensation of £50 an acre a year in return for giving a number of undertakings to the commission. Those are that they will take only one cut of hator silage a year, will not stock the land beyond agreed limits, and will consult the Broads Authority before removing trees, reed beds or dikes, constructing roads, buildings and drainage ditches, or using more than 100 units of nitrogen an acre or anything other than "simple" herbicides.

Applications to join the scheme may be made any time after April 1, but it wil be entirely voluntary. The first payments will be made on October 1.

The essential difference between it and the so-called management agreements made with farmers in national parks and with owners of sites of special scientific interest (SSSI's) is that funds for compensation are being provided directly by a government department instead of through a quango such as the commission or the Nature Conservancy Council.

Lord Belstead, Minister of State at the Ministy of Agriculture, declined to comment on a suggestion that the new approach necessarily implied further cuts in land drainage and reclamation grants.

But he made it clear that the broads scheme was likely to be the first of many. Since the total sums available for agricultural grants were laid lown in the annual public expenditure White Paper, long-term funding of conservation projects would obviously mean readjustments.

# M1 link would 'ruin' famous battleground

A public inquiry into the proposed M1-A1 link road was told yesterday that the Government's £107 million "green route" would ruin one of Britain's most famous historical battlegrounds.

The planned road to link the industrial Midlands with east coast ports starts at the M1-M6 junction at Catthorpe and cuts through Northamptonshire towards Huntingdon.

The green route would cut through the Naseby battlefield where the famous charge by Prince Rupert took place during the Civil War in 1645.

Brigadier Peter Young, a military historian, told the inquiry at Kettering, Northamptonshire, that the Naseby battlefield is of historical significance and should be preserved in its entirety for future generations.

# Sacked waiter at Dorchester denies theft

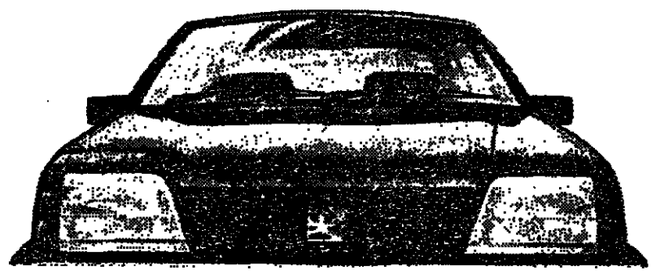
Mr Vincent Kami, one of the head waiters at the Dorchester hotel in Mayfair, denied stealing money paid for teas.

Mr Kami is one of three waiters dismissed from the Promenade Lounge at the hotel last year after a management spot check found 120 discrepancies, an industrial tribunal was told yesterday.

Mr Kami, from Acton, who worked at the Dorchester for 30 years, said yesterday that no one had stolen money and blamed any discrepancies on the introduction of a micro-chip cash register.

Mr Kami said: "I always trusted the staff in the Promenade. We worked very well together and everyone was always friendly. I never saw anyone steal anything." The hearing continues.


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# Peking exchanges warm words with Moscow as Gorbachov takes over

From Mary Lee, Peking

Expectations of a marked improvement in Sino-Soviet relations have risen sharply in the past few days. The Chinese Vice-President, Mr Li Peng, returned to Peking from Moscow yesterday, saying his talks with the Soviet leader, Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, were "positive and friendly" and that Sino-Soviet relations would "improve step by step".

Mr Li had led a three-man delegation to attend President Chernenko's funeral.

While in Moscow, Mr Li conveyed to Mr Gorbachov what the official Xinhua news agency described as "hearty congratulations" from the Chinese Communist Party General-Secretary, Mr Hu Yaobang. His "good wishes" were also passed on, including those for the success of the Soviet socialist system.

In return, Mr Gorbachov asked Mr Li to convey his best regards to Mr Hu and other Chinese leaders.

Western diplomats in Peking said this exchange of messages was significant because there have been no Sino-Soviet party-to-party relations for about 20 years. When the Soviet First Deputy Premier, Mr Ivan Arkhipov, visited Peking last December, he neither met Mr Hu nor brought him any message.

The tone of Mr Li's words was remarkably warm. Chinese sources said this was in response to the positive tone of Mr Gorbachov's hope for significant improvement in Sino-Soviet relations, expressed at the recent extraordinary plenary session of the Soviet Communist Party's central committee.

Mr Li's unusually positive message to Mr Gorbachov included the statement that China was willing to work towards further developing relations with the Soviet Union in political, economic, scientific, technical and cultural fields. Inclusion of the political aspect is new. When Mr Arkhipov was in Peking, both sides only emphasized the other four pragmatic aspects of bilateral relations.

Other indicators of a warmer approach towards Moscow include Mr Li's remark to Chinese working and studying in Moscow that China and the Soviet Union were "two great countries" and improvement in their relations would benefit both peoples, and world peace.

National dailies have devoted considerable space about Mr Gorbachov – a sign, observers said, that Peking recognizes that he is likely to be in power for a long time and is therefore the man who can improve the difficult process of normalizing relations. The next round of talks on this issue is scheduled to be held in Moscow in a few weeks.

It is also significant that there has been no reference – either by Mr Li or in recent newspaper reports about Moscow – to the three outstanding obstacles to normalization: the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, Moscow's support of Vietnam's occupation of Cambodia and the strength of the Soviet military presence along its common border with China.

Recently, however, China has expressed outrage over what it calls "Soviet-inspired" allegations that Peking is arming and training Afghan rebels in Pakistan. There has also been a war of words in the Chinese press over Vietnam's position in Cambodia and the outbreak of hostilities along the Sino-Vietnamese border.

# Zia sees signs of hope on Afghanistan issue

From Hasan Akhtar, Islamabad

General Zia ul-Haq, the Pakistani leader, yesterday expressed guarded optimism about a possible narrowing of differences over the Afghanistan issue between Islamabad and Moscow, although he left no one in doubt that a settlement was still not in sight. He was speaking on his return from Moscow where he attended President Chernenko's funeral.

General Zia told a press conference in Rawalpindi that during his talks with Mr Mikhail Gorbachov, the new Soviet Communist Party leader, he had been assured that the Soviet Union was committed to supporting a political solution under the auspices of the United Nations-sponsored indirect talks between the foreign ministers of Pakistan and Afghanistan in Geneva.

General Zia was convinced that, given patience, goodwill and understanding the differences between Pakistan and the Soviet Union on Afghanistan. He said the Soviet Union shared Pakistan's view that there was no military solution to the Afghanistan problem.

Answering questions about the latest reported gun battles between Pakistani forces and tribesmen near the Afghanistan border, General Zia said there could be no compromise with those dealing in heroin and other drugs.

General Zia also had a meeting with Mr Rajiv Gandhi, the Indian Prime Minister, in Moscow.

# President-elect spends inauguration in hospital



President-in-waiting: A spokesman in Brasilia announcing that Senhor Tancredo Neves (left) has been taken to hospital.

# Brazilian leader is taken ill hours before swearing-in

From Patrick Knight, Brasilia

Brazil has a new civilian President. But he is not the man who had been expected to take over, Senhor Tancredo Neves, but the Vice-President, Senator José Sarney. Just 12 hours before Senhor Tancredo Neves, aged 75, was due to be sworn in before Congress, he was rushed to hospital in Brasilia, to be operated on for an intestinal obstruction at 1.30am yesterday.

Arguments went on for several hours during the night as to who, in this unprecedented situation, should assume the presidency. There were fears in some quarters in Brasilia, that Brazil's "new republic" would collapse even before it started.

In the event, the inauguration ceremonies passed off peacefully enough, although there was surprise amongst the huge, euphoric crowds, many of whom had travelled in hundreds of coaches from all over Brazil, that the man they had expected to welcome was not present.

Senhor Tancredo Neves is expected to stay in hospital for about eight days, and may need a further two weeks convalescence before taking over the presidency. The presidential sash was not passed to Senator Sarney by the outgoing President Senhor Joao Figueirero. That will be worn by only Senhor Neves, when he effectively starts to rule.

This situation will mean that Brazil will be without effective leadership for at least three more weeks. Although the new Cabinet was also sworn in yesterday, the Government's programme, which was due to be outlined yesterday at the inauguration, and at a first Cabinet meeting tomorrow, will not be announced.

Brazil is congratulating itself that this test of the strength of its institutions has been successfully passed, before the gaze of the world. Among the guests in Brasilia were Vice-President George Bush of the United States, the Presidents of Argentina, Uruguay, Ecuador, Paraguay, Nicaragua and Cape Verde, and the Prime Ministers of Portugal and Surinam. Representatives of 113 countries had been presented to President Figueirero on Thursday, and had been due to greet Senhor Neves yesterday.

The new President was taken ill at a church service in the early evening, and it was at first thought that he was suffering from acute appendicitis. It had been known since Wednesday that he would have to undergo surgery in the near future.

The events have increased the public sympathy which Senhor Tancredo Neves has accumulated in the past few weeks.

However, in view of his age, it may take longer than expected for Senhor Tancredo Neves to recover and make his mark on the country, at a time when firm leadership is needed. There have been several years of rather weak and ineffective government during which economic problems have become acute.

The new economic programme had been awaited impatiently by all sectors of society, and there will now be something of power vacuum in Brazil. Senator Sarney was not expected to play an important role in government, and would not survive in power if Senhor Neves's absence was prolonged.

# US leads in teenage pregnancies

From Christopher Thomas, Washington

American teenagers have more pregnancies, births and abortions than adolescents in any other industrialized nation, according to a new study. The United States is the only developed country where teenage pregnancy continues to increase.

The study, by the Alan Guttmacher Institute, a research and education organization, reported that the pregnancy rate for Americans aged 15 to 19 is 96 per 1,000, compared with 14 per 1,000 in The Netherlands, 35 in Sweden, 43 in France, 44 in Canada and 45 in England and Wales. The teenage abortion rate for the United States is far ahead of the rates in any of the 37 countries studied.

Black American teenagers have a higher pregnancy rate than white teenagers - 163 per 1,000 compared with 83 per 1,000. Taking white teenagers alone, American adolescents still top the rates of all other developed countries for pregnancies and abortions.

The study concluded that the lowest rate of teenage pregnancy was in countries with liberal attitudes towards sex and which provided easy access to contraceptives, at low cost and without parental approval, and which had comprehensive sex education programmes.

The study found that ready access to abortion services does not lead teenagers to have more abortions.

The report found that 60 out of every 1,000 American women have had an abortion by the age of 18. The figure is seven for the Netherlands, 20 for England and Wales, 30 in France, 24 in Canada and 30 in Sweden.

The reason for the high American teenage pregnancy rate is thought partly to be that American teenagers, more than those in other countries, are less likely to use the Pill because of fears about health.

# Portugal aims for fishing safeguards

From Richard Wigg, Madrid

Serious differences now exist between Spain and Portugal over the fishing issue, which is the main stumbling block for the two countries' hopes of EEC entry by January 1 next year.

Portugal threatened yesterday to reject any package that is hammered out between the foreign ministers of the Ten and the two candidate countries at a four-day negotiating session starting tomorrow in Brussels unless certain safeguards are included against Spain.

Señor Felipe Gonzalez, the Spanish Prime Minister, was insisting on a "small margin of flexibility" as the Cabinet met here yesterday to decide the strategy for the negotiating session which in Madrid's view is crucial if there is to be any chance of the entry date being met.

Señor Gonzalez said he came back from meetings in Moscow with Mrs Margaret Thatcher and Chancellor Kohl of West Germany impressed by their expression of political will to bring about Spanish and Portuguese entry.

Dr José Almeida Serra, Lisbon's new Minister of the Sea, said that before signing an accession treaty Portugal wanted provisions in the EEC's fishing policy to exclude Spaniards from Portuguese coastal waters, where Madrid claims "historic rights".

He said Portugal also wanted the EEC system of licences and quotas introduced into its own 200-mile economic zone and special protection for its fishing grounds around the Azores and Madeira.

While Spain is demanding more concessions from the principal EEC fishing nations, the Portuguese want the EEC to protect their fishing potential. Spain, with a large, powerful fleet, has hardly anywhere to go in EEC waters, while Portugal, with a small, ill-equipped fleet, has extensive coastal fishing grounds

# Greeks retreat on state reform

From Mario Modiano, Athens

The Greek Government has decided to withdraw its controversial proposal for quicker procedures in amending the constitution after hostility not only from the Opposition but also from its friends.

The proposals would have allowed any government to change the constitution almost as easily as ordinary legislation by mustering a three-fifths majority in parliament.

The present procedure is that amendments must be ratified by the next parliament.

Mr Constantine Mitsotakis, leader of the opposition New Democracy Party, said the proposals would have enabled the Government to "abrogate the constitution at will to advance its plans for the imposition of Third World totalitarianism".

A spokesman for the socialist Government said that although a group of constitutional law professors had concurred with the idea of updating this procedure, Mr Andreas Papandreou, Greece's Prime Minister, had decided to drop it from his package of constitutional reforms that seek to emasculate the presidential powers, because it had given rise to "misleading statements and perfidious interpretations.".

The likelihood of the other reforms going through, however, depends on the election of the next President of the Republic in the third round of the poll on March 29.

If Judge Christos Sartzetakis, who is endorsed by the socialists and the communists, fails to muster the 180-vote minimum, Parliament will be dissolved and the constitutional revision will have to await the next two parliaments.

The vote for Mr Sartzetakis is likely to be close, and the Government is concerned lest Mr Yiannis Alevras, Parliament's socialist President who became interim President of the Republic after Mr Karamanlis's resignation, is prevented by the constitution from casting his own vote.

Most constitutional experts seem to agree that since he has assumed the duties of head of state, Mr Alevras's parliamentary capacity remains in abeyance, and so he should not vote. However the Government was so eager to overrule this that it chose to ask Parliament, where it controls the majority, to rule on the matter.

At the same time, the Athens public prosecutor, at the request of the conservative opposition, opened an inquiry into newspaper allegations that government deputies had been offered bribes of 50 million drachmas (£330,000) to vote against Mr Sartzetakis to provoke early elections.

The election of Mr Sartzetakis depends on the votes of two or three independent deputies, since the socialists, with 165 votes, and the communists with 13, are committed to support him.

# Hong Kong border may go early

From Mary Lee, Peking

The border between Hong Kong and the Shenzhen Special Economic Zone in Guangdong province could be removed long before 1997 – if the British authorities in Hong Kong agree, a senior official from the zone said in Peking yesterday.

The Vice-Mayor, Mrs Li Chuanfang said the Chinese authorities would like to minimize immigration procedures between Hong Kong and the zone. One travel permit could replace the entry and re-entry permits required for Hong Kong Chinese and the visas which foreigners now need.

Mrs Li said the construction of a second border – between Shenzhen and the rest of Guandong province was complete.

This was intended to ease the flow of personnel, raw materials, technology and investment from Hong Kong, therefore it made sense to facilitate immigration. When customs checks were transferred from the Hong Kong border to the new second one, Shenzhen would become a duty-free area, Mrs LI said. The new border was expected to be in operation before next July. A special Shenzhen currency would eventually replace all other currencies in the special zone.

It would be freely convertible and pegged to the US$. The second border would help to combat smuggling, Mrs Li added. Because of the freer flow of goods between Hong Kong and the special zone, she envisaged Hong Kong's market "coming to Shenzhen".

In Shenzhen, wage reforms have been implemented for state employees.

Warsaw's hard line

# Washington deadline on envoy rejected

From Roger Boyes, Warsaw

Poland has refused to comply with an American 30-day ultimatum to approve the appointment of a new US ambassador to Warsaw making inevitable a further slide in relations between the two countries, informed sources said yesterday.

Although the United States and the Soviet Union would clearly like to remove the issue of Poland from the East-West agenda, especially in the light of the latest Kremlin succession, it remains a bone of contention.

The ultimatum on the US ambassador was first made public on Thursday by Mr Stefan Olszowski, the Polish Foreign Minister, who declared: "We shall not accept any diktat or ultimatum – such times have irrevocably passed."

The United States had threatened a "further deterioration in mutual relations unless the Polish Government complied," the minister said.

The US embassy has no comment on the speech but it is clear, western diplomats say, that the United States increased pressure for the approval of an ambassador in early February. Soon afterwards, perhaps to show that the Jaruzelski Government was not going to be intimidated, the Polish authorities arrested an American military attaché, Colonel Frederick Myer and expelled him on February 25 for allegedly taking pictures of military installations.

The United States responded by expelling a Polish defence attaché from Washington, cancelling a session of talks on scientific co-operation, and delaying the return of the American chargé d'affaires, Mr John Davis, to Warsaw.

The American view is that Poland should allow the establishment of a full ambassador in Warsaw as a condition of improvement in relations. Poland, which was stung by the West's economic sanctions, claims that full diplomatic relations can be resumed only when other parts of the bilateral relationship have returned to normal. That could include paying back the $13 billion (£11.6 billion). Poland estimates it lost because of economic sanctions, imposed after the martial law crackdown in December 1981. The United States is expected to announce new action against Poland



Mr Olszowski: "Threat" from United States.

# Deaths 'by barrowload' as Chad crisis grows

From Alan McGregor, Geneva

Barrow-loads of dead babies are being wheeled away every morning at camps for displaced persons in Chad, Mr Maurice String, co-ordinator of the UN Office for Emergency Operations in Africa, said yesterday. "Infants of two and three months are being fed on 'water' that is 80 per cent mud."

He described conditions in Chad, with the food distribution network still inadequate, as "developing into something on the scale and magnitude of Ethiopia last November and December, a very tragic situation".

He was speaking after three days of meetings between government representatives and aid officials on the six worst affected countries: Ethiopia, Sudan, Chad, Mali, Mozambique and Niger.

"In Sudan, the lives of a million children, one in every six, may be lost this year," he added. With increased handling capacity at Port Sudan, it was simply a case of insufficient food in the pipeline.

The Sudan Government estimate of needs is a million tonnes over the next six months.

# Anti-Marcos rebels 'like tip of iceberg'

From Keith Dalton, Manila

The Philippines top military official admitted yesterday that communist rebels were stronger than before. But he said they controlled no area and added that the Government would not "go under" in a stepped-up guerrilla war.

Lieutenant-General Fidel Ramos compared the 12,000-strong New People's Army to the tip of an iceberg. Below was a much bigger organization that conducted propaganda, fund raising and agitation against President Ferdinand Marcos's Government, he said.

"We should be very concerned about the six-sevenths of the iceberg which lies beneath the surface because this is what sinks ships," he said. "The fact is we are not really about to go under."

In testimony on Monday to the US House subcommittee on East Asia and Pacific affairs Mr Richard Armitage, the deputy Defence Secretary predicted that the New People's Army could achieve military parity with Government troops within five years unless recent rebel successes were reversed. But General Ramos said the security situation was under control.

# Gas leak at Union Carbide

New York (Reuter) – Toxic gas leaked from a Union Carbide plant in the United States and spread over a shopping mall, slightly injuring eight people last week, according to a company spokesman.

"About six to eight people had various degrees of symptons of nausea and slight eye irritation and two were taken to hospital for observation on March 7. They were in the emergency room but were released after two hours," the company spokesman, Mr Thad Epps said.

About 100lb of the gas escaped when a piece of equipment was being started at the plant in South Charleston, West Virginia, Mr Epps said. He said material was boiling at such a rate that it did not all condense and some escaped into the atmosphere.

# London visit off

Vienna–Austria's Defence Minsiter, Herr Friedhelm Frischenschlager, who caused a furore by personally greeting the Nazi war criminal Walter Reder on his repatriation to Austria in January, has agreed to postpone his April 20 visit to Britain at London's request.

# Doctors strike

Rome (AP) – More than 155,000 Italian doctors in state-run hospitals and veterinary surgeons went on a day-long strike in protest against Government support for proposed legislation which would reduce their pension benefits.

# Moral stand

Stockholm – Women occupying the visitors' gallery of the Swedish Parliament rained copies of pornographic magazines on MPs in protest against a sex supermarket recently opened in the Swedish capital by Norway's so-called "king of porn" who was allegedly forced into exile by the activities of militant Norwegian feminists.

Strikers seek meeting

# Bolivia unions waver

La Paz (Reuter). – The most senior Bolivian labour leader, saying unarmed workers could not fight a revolution, announced yesterday that unions had ageed to resume talks with the Government on their week-old general strike.

Señor Juan Lechin, leader of the workers' federation, told a rally of militant miners after a spate of bomb attacks in the capital: "One cannot talk of taking power without an armed vanguard."

Señor Walter Delgadillo, the federation secretary, said on Thursday that workers would fight to establish a socialist government in Bolivia.

Tension had risen sharply in La Paz after Señor Gustavo Sanchez, the deputy Interior Minister said extremists were planning to kill the strike leaders to provoke clashes between strikers and the armed forces.

● INFLATION RECORD: Bolivian banks no longer fear hold-ups as robbers would need a convoy to cart away a sum worth the trouble.

A world record inflation rate now running at 3,400 per cent annually is bringing the local currency down by the hour. A US dollar is worth 45,000 pesos at the official rate and more than three times more on the black market. The biggest banknote is 1,000 pesos.

"Imagine how many cars robbers would need to make off with the equivalent of $100,000," a bank executive said.

**TOP TEN INFLATION RATES**

**(annual percentages)**

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| BOLIVIA (Oct 1984) | 1,590,5 |
| ARGENTINA (Nov 1984) | 674.9 |
| ISRAEL (Dec 1984) | 444.9 |
| BRAZIL (Jan 1985) | 218.3 |
| PERU (Dec 1984) | 111.5 |
| URUGUAY (Aug 1984) | 63.4 |
| MEXICO (Nov 1984) | 59.1 |
| PHILLIPINES (Dec 1984) | 50.8 |
| YUGOSLAVIA (Dec 1984) | 47.7 |
| PARAGUAY (Dec 1984) | 29.8 |

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# Pretoria buys grain from China for the first time

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

South Africa has purchased 20,000 metric tonnes of yellow maize from China. It is the first time grain has been imported from this source, although South Africa has previously exported grain to China.

The general manager of the Maize Board, Mr Hennie Nel, said the deal had been arranged through an intermediary. The original bill of lading had mentioned a destination other than South Africa, but the shipment had later been redirected here.

Mr Nel said he was sure the Peking authorities were well aware of the grain's true destination but wanted to be able to defend themselves against possible political objections to selling to South Africa.

The Chinese grain was a better quality than American maize, being disease-free and containing less moisture and fewer broken kernels but cost 18 rand (about £8.2) a metric tonne less, Mr Nel added. The deal had thus saved South Africa 360,000 rand.

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# UK leading Europe out of recession

## INDUSTRY

The United Kingdom had led Europe out of the recession and the West Midlands had played a significant part in that, Mr David Trippier, Under Secretary of State for Trade and Industry, said during a Commons debate on the economic, Housing and social situation in the West Midlands. The recovery in manufacturing had been faster than in the economy as a whole and that was particularly true in the West Midlands, he said.

Mr David Winnick (Walsall North, Lab), who opened the debate, said the West Midlands had seen continuous factory closures, large scale redundancies, more and more people on the dole and a considerable amount of increased poverty. It all added up to a bleak picture for the region. A change of Government policy was needed to allow the West Midlands and the Black Country to survive as an industrial area.

The damage inflicted on manufacturing industry was illustrated by the fact that in the past six years there had been an estimated reduction of 30 per cent in the number of people employed in it full-time in the West Midlands. In the Black Country the reduction was 31 per cent.

Was it any wonder that more and more people were forced to eke out a living with their families on supplementary benefit? What crime had they committed that they had to be in that state?

The formidable problems faced by the West Midlands would not be helped much by the granting of intermediate area status for part of the region. First and foremost it required a vast injection of private and public investment.

The continued flood of manufactured items from abroad into the West Midlands also played its part in undermining domestic industry. There would be no sustained economic recovery in the West Midlands or elsewhere without some degree of control over imports. It was necessary to broaden the industrial base. The region need new technological industries.

What sense was there in this type of situation in closing down skill centres? Was that going to be defended and justified from the Conservative back benches?

The West Midlands County Council had played a positive role. No purpose would be served by its abolition.

Mr Trippier said when the Labour government was in power it presided over stagnation in the region and had not even applied a sticking plaster, never mind surgery, to the cancer running through industry in that area. Mr Winnick suffered from a delusion of adequacy.

It was inevitable that the West Midlands should be hit particularly hard by the recession because of over-manning and uncompetitiveness. There was also structural weakness in, for example, the motor industry.

But the West Midlands was still the country's key manufacturing region. This year looked like being the fifth successive year of economic growth.

Manufacturing output rose by 3.3 per cent last year, its fastest rate of growth since 1973. The increase in activity had not so far been reflected in the number of unemployed. But there was only one way to create jobs and reduce umemployment and that was constantly to encounter competitiveness in service and manufacturing industries.

If too long was spent looking back at the golden age of mass manufacture and full employment the true age of the small enterpreneur would be missed.

Mr Robert Edwards (Wolverhampton South East, Lab) said Mr Trippier's speech reminded him of a character out of the Mikardo singing The Flowers that bloom in the Spring tra-la. There were 700,000 people in the West Midlands on supplementary benefit going through all kinds of indignities and for Mr Trippier to suggest that there were great opportunities passed his comprehension.

Labour MPs from the region got emotional because the youngsters were outlaws in the big world and fitted in nowhere.

Mr Nicholas Budgen (wolverhampton South West, C) said he found it difficult to ascribe all the difficulties to Government action or inaction.

Miss Betty Boothroyd (West Bromwich West, Lab) said that for every year Mrs Thatcher had been in office 1,000 jobs had been lost in West Bromwich West constituency. Today 7,000 people were out of work there. "They and their neighbours were sick and tired of being told that Britain was in the fourth year of economic recovery. The Black Country had yet to experience this recovery.

Mr David Nellist (Coventry South East, Lab) said he had spent three years on the dole before entering the Commons. A slogan he had seen on a subway wall illustrated how youth thought of the future under a Tory government. It said: "Vote Tory, retire at 16".

Sir George Young, Under Secretary of State for the Environment, said he did not wish to underestimate the difficulties that the region was facing but MPs should not allow themselves to become overwhelmed by them and fail to see the possible solutions.

He and Mr Trippier took the problem seriously and the Government was prepared to play its part.

The debate concluded.

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### Foreign Secretary voices Whitehall's doubts about Reagan's SDI

# Howe underlines the risks in Star Wars

By Henry Stanhope
Diplomatic Correspondent

Sir Geoffrey Howe yesterday urged the United States to proceed only with the "utmost deliberation" in its Star Wars policy, in case the risks outweighed the benefits to the world.

He also called on the superpowers at their Geneva talks to negotiate a treaty on anti-satellite (Asat) weapons, which would protect each other's "eyes and ears" in times of crisis.

Eleven ambassadors and high commissioner together with senior diplomats from other London missions heard the Foreign Secretary pose a series of questions on President Reagan's Star Wars policy known as the Strategic Defence Initiative.

In a policy-making speech to the Royal United Services Institute in London he gave warning against the dangers of allowing weapons research to acquire a momentum of its own, so that political decisions were preempted by what he called "the march of technology."

It would be not be only myopic but dangerous to ignore the extensive research into space-based defences which had been continuing for many years in the Soviet Union.

But if we were to move from an offensive to a defensive which had been continuing for many years in the Soviet Union.

But if we were to move from an offensive to a defensive strategy to keep world peace, research on both sides had to show this could be managed without creating "dangerous uncertainties."

We had to ask, Sir Geoffrey said, in words which clearly reflected Whitehall doubts about the Star Wars policy, whether the hundreds of billions of dollars spent on it might be better employed elsewhere.

"How far will we be able to impose new burdens on defence budgets already under strain? And what will be the effect on all the other elements of our defences, on which Western security will continue in large part to depend?"

In referring to the impact on arms control, the Foreign Secretary described the 1972 treaty limiting anti-ballistic missile (ABM) systems as a "keystone in the still shaky arch of security" we had built with the East during the past 15 years.

But to deploy space-based defences would be inconsistent with the terms of the treaty. As was agreed between President Reagan and Mrs Thatcher at Camp David last December, deployment would have to be a matter for negotiation.

"I do attach importance to convincing the Soviet leadership that we in the West are serious in our aim of maintaining strategic stability at significantly lower levels of nuclear weapons. We are serious about arms control. And we must be seen and heard to be so", the Foreign Secretary said.

Finally we had to consider the consequences for the Atlantic alliance: "this unique relationship".

Deployment could take many years. But we could not aim at many years of insecurity and instability.

"In terms of Nato's policy of forward defence and flexible response, would we lose on the swings whatever might be gained on the roundabouts?

"The attractions of moving towards a more defensive strategy for the prevention of war are as apparent as are the risks. It would be wrong to rule out the possibility on the grounds that the questions it raises are too difficult.

"But the fact that there are no easy answers, that the risks may outweigh the benefits, that science may not be able to provide a safer solution to the nuclear dilemma of the past 40 years – all these points underline the importance of proceeding with the utmost deliberation."

On anti-satellite weapons he said it would be a "serious blunder" if the West allowed the Russians to continue with their present monopoly.

But we should also recognize that the prospect of either side being faced at a time of crisis by the loss of its strategic eyes and ears would be "gravely destabilizing."

He added: "The Government takes the view that if negotiations were to succeed in imposing mutual constraints on anti-satellite systems, these could have a helpful impact over a period of years.

"We should take that opportunity now, if it is in the western interest. Any such ASAT agreement could be limited if necessary to a fixed period, in order not to prejudge the future," Sir Geoffrey said.

# Belgian cruise go-ahead relieves White House

From Nicholas Ashford
Geneva

American officials associated with the US-Soviet arms controls talks expressed satisfaction yesterday at Belgium's decision to allow deployment of cruise missiles on its soil.

They considered that the Brussels announcement strengthened the hand of US negotiators in the talks on reducing intermediate-range nuclear (INF) missiles in Europe.

The Americans had been concerned that a Belgian decision not to allow deployment of 48 cruise missiles would have led to a similar move by The Netherlands later in the year. That would have meant that only three Nato countries, Britain, West Germany and Italy, would be allowing deployment of the missiles which Nato regards as an essential counterbalance to the deployment of SS20 missiles by the Soviet Union.

The US revealed earlier this week that the Soviet Union had increased the size of its SS20 force to 414 missiles, capable of delivering a total of 1,242 warheads. NATO has deployed 100 single-warhead Pershing and Cruise missiles so far.

The Americans were also concerned that a negative decision by Belgium would have increased anti-nuclear sentiment in Europe and thereby undermined its negotiators' position at the bargaining table. Moscow has already launched a new propaganda campaign designed to drive a wedge between the US and its European Nato allies.

The next meeting between US and Soviet negotiators is to take place at the Soviet mission here on Tuesday. The two delegations will shortly split into three committees which will tackle the INF, strategic and space weapon issues.

The talks have begun on a positive note with both sides expressing seriousness of purpose and optimism that agreement can be reached eventually. However, nothing of great substance is expected to be achieved during the early weeks of the talks.

● WASHINGTON: The White House welcomed Belgium's announcement that it would allow immediate deployment of cruise missiles and said this would have a considerable effect on the US-Soviet arms control talks.

"We applaud the steadfastness of the Belgium Government in moving ahead with the decision to deploy," the White House spokesman, Mr Larry Speakes, said.

"The Belgian decision will have considerable effect on the talks in Geneva . . . It demonstrates the resolve of the Nato allies."

## MISSILE COUNT

Latest deployment. Planned figures in parenthesis

| | Pershing 2 | cruise |
|---|---|---|
| W Germany | 45 (108) | 0 (96) |
| Britain | 0 | 32 (160) |
| Italy | 0 | 16 (112) |
| Belgium | 0 | 0 (48) |
| Holland | 0 | 0 (48) |
| | 45 (108) | 48 (464) |

Deployed figures obtained end 1984. It is presumed these have increased since, but figures are not given officially, sources merely state deployment is continuing.



The Belgian Prime Minister, Mr Wilfred Martens, announcing to Parliament the decision to allow deployment of cruise

# Dutch stick to their guns on deployment

From Robert Schuil, Amsterdam

The Belgian decision to deploy cruise missiles leaves The Netherlands as the only Nato country in which the American missiles are scheduled to be sited where no final decision has yet been taken.

According to Mr Job de Ruiter, the Dutch Defence Minister who is known not to favour deployment on Dutch soil, the Belgian decision will not influence the Government. In an interview with Radio Netherlands in Stockholm, where he was attending the European Security Conference, he added that he did not think it would influence Dutch public opinion either.

The Dutch peace movement has had success in swaying public opinion in The Netherlands with anti-cruise demonstrations attracting up to half a million people. However, its influence has ebbed and according to opinion polls more than 60 per cent of the population no longer oppose deployment on Dutch soil.

The Dutch Government announced in June last year that a final decision would be taken this November on the basis of "objective criteria".

This means that if the Soviet Union has deployed more SS-20s The Netherlands will deploy 48 missiles by 1988. If the Soviet Union has not increased its numbers of SS-20s, the Dutch will not deploy. According to Nato figures the Russians have now deployed 414 SS-20s.



Under guard: The rebel militia commander, Mr Samir Geagea, arriving in Bkerke, Lebanon, for a meeting of Christian political and military leaders.

# Syria threatens to defend embattled Gemayel

From Our Own Correspondent, Beirut

Syria yesterday warned that it would intervene to defend the Lebanese Government against Christian militiamen in east Beirut as the last Phalangist stronghold loyal to President Amin Gemayel fell to Christian gunmen in a 15 minute battle during the afternoon.

At least two people were reported killed and six others were wounded as militiamen took over the position beside a cluster of roman columns in Karantina just above the Beirut port.

Mr Samir Geagea's rebellion within the Phalangist movement has effectively deprived President Gemayel of what little was left of his Christian power base.

The Christian rebels, all of whom are sympathetic to Israel and deeply resent Syria's new influence over the Lebanese Government and the Phalangist Party represent the most serious threat to government control in the capital since Muslim militias took over the west of the city just over a year ago.

At three points on the main coastal highway north of Beirut yesterday, Phalangist militiamen fought with heavy machine guns and rifles in an attempt to keep open the roads leading up into the Metn hills, an area traditionally loyal to President Gemayel – he was elected deputy for Metn in 1972, his father Pierre founded the Phalange party and his family have lived in the Metn town of Bikfaya for several generations.

"Syria wishes to emphasize its support for Lebanese legitimacy," the Damascus state radio announced yesterday. The Syrian Government, it said, regarded the Phalangist uprising against President Gamayel as "a suspicious move".



Beirut kidnapping: Mr Geoffrey Nash (above), a British scientist who was abducted in Beirut, was probably seized by mistake, his wife said yesterday. Mr Nash, aged 60, a metallurgist who worked for the Lebanese Government, was last seen on Thursday being forced by three gunmen into a car near his home in west Beirut.

Referring to the recent spate of abductions of Americans in the area, his wife said: "They have taken him by mistake. They probably thought he was an American."

# Gaza Arabs urge EEC to allow in produce

By Edward Mortimer

An appeal to the European Commmuity to admit fruit and vegetables produced by Arabs in Israeli-occupied territory has been made by Mr Rashad al-Shawwa, the former Mayor of Gaza, who was deposed by the Israeli authorities in 1982.

Mr al-Shawwa, who is now chairman of the Gaza Strip Benevolent Society, has just completed an official visit to France and Britain, during which he met President Mitterrand, M Claude Cheysson, the EEC Commissioner for External Affairs, and in London Mr Richard Luce, Minister of State for Foreign and Commonwealth Affairs.

Mr al-Shawwa said that under present arrangements both citrus fruit and vegetables produced in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip were excluded from the EEC, although produce from both Israel and Jordan were admitted under agreements with those countries. The occupied territories were thus penalized because they had no internationally recognized government to negotiate on their behalf.

Producers in the Gaza Strip were prevented from exporting to Western Europe, which historically was their main market. They were selling to Arab countries, Mr al-Shawwa said, but at a loss, because of the high cost of overland transport and indirect taxes levied by Israel in transit.

# Opposition leaders back Mubarak initiative

By Henry Stanhope, Diplomatic Correspondent

President Mubarak of Egypt leaves Britain today after a visit which has been seen by Egyptian sources as a quiet success.

The president, who was disappointed by the refusal of the US Administration to play an active mediating role in his new peace effort in the Middle East, saw opposition leaders at the Egyptian embassy yesterday.

Egyptian sources later said that Mr Neil Kinnock, the Labour leader, who was accompanied by Mr Denis Healey and Mr David Steel and Dr David Owen all expressed broad support for his initiative.

He then met Mr Michael Heseltine, the Secretary of State for Defence, and Mr Norman Tebbit, Secretary of State for Trade and Industry. Britain has enjoyed favourable trade balance with Egypt in recent years and remains the third highest foreign investor in the country, after the United States and France.

The president later lunched with the all-party Anglo-Egyptian parliamentary group at his London hotel.

### Mozambique regime strengthens its hand

# Lisbon to curb Machel rebels

From Martha de la Cal, Lisbon

The Mozambique Foreign Minister, Mr Joaquin Chissano, said in Lisbon after talks with Senhor Mário Soares, the Portuguese Prime Minister, that his Government was satisfied with assurances from Portugal that steps would be taken to curb the activities in Lisbon of the Mozambique National Resistance movement, Renamo.

Maputo has protested for several years about the use of Lisbon by Renamo as a propaganda and operational centre against President Samora Machel's Government. Mozambique has claimed the Renamo secretary-general, Senhor Evo Fernandes, and its European representative, Senhor Jorge Correia, both Portuguese citizens, have links with prominent Portuguese politicians, including members of the Government.

Renamo is reported to use Lisbon as a base for recruiting mercenaries among former Portuguese soldiers who fought in Mozambique during the war of independence.

The Mozambique Minister for Economic Affairs, General Jacinto Veloso, has accused the Portuguese in Renamo of continuing to supply arms, military training and political support to the MNR rebels. He has said there are ex-colonials in Portugal who had property in Mozambique before independence, and named a former Portuguese businessman in Mozambique as a possible Renamo backer.

General Veloso has accused Malawi, the Comoros Islands and several Arab countries of assisting Renamo.

Both Mozambique and South Africa have blamed the Portuguese for their inability to enforce the non-aggression agreement signed last March at Nkomati.

The Portuguese Government has been reluctant to take direct action against Renamo representatives because, under Portuguese law, citizens are free to speak on behalf of any cause or organization. But last week, Senhor Soares finally agreed to act.

Among measures being considered is a law which would make "provocations which bring reprisals" a crime. Those would include "acts not authorized by the Portuguese Government which could damage it militarily, diplomatically, economically or socially". The offence would be punishable by up to six years' imprisonment.

Senhor Fernandes reportedly will remain outside Portugal for a while. Senhor Correia, on the other hand, is still in Lisbon.

In an interview with *The Times* Senhor Correia said the Portuguese Government has no grounds to arrest him. "We of Renamo in Portugal only furnish information as is the right of every citizen. We do not traffic illegally in arms or recruit mercenaries."

He claimed that Renamo was not financed by private Portuguese citizens. "No one man could supply the large amounts of money needed," he said. "We are helped by the countries of western Europe and the Middle East."

Senhor Correia insisted that it was only the support of South Africa and the United States that was keeping President Samora Machel's regime in power.

He said that Renamo would never agree to govern jointly with Frelimo under the present Marxist regime in Mozambique, as has been discussed in South Africa.

# Pretoria and Maputo reaffirm Nkomati pact

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

South Africa and Mozambique have affirmed their "continued commitment to and full support of" the Nkomati nonaggression accord, which they signed with much fanfare exactly a year ago today, but which has seemed on the verge on breakdown recently.

A brief communique issued after a visit to Maputo, on Thursday by a South African delegation led by Mr R. F. Botha, South Africa Foreign Minister, said: "Both governments are concerned at the increase in violence in Mozambique and certain proposals were discussed as to ways and means of bringing an end to it."

The reaffirmation of faith in the Nkomati accord comes only a week after President Samora Machel of Mozambique was reported to have told a summit meeting of black African "frontline" nations in Tanzania that he considered the accord had been a failure.

President Machel did not take part in Thursday's talks with the South Africans as he was in Moscow for the funeral of Mr Chernenko. There is speculation that he may have taken the opportunity to discuss the possibility of Soviet military assistance in tackling insurgents of the Mozambique National Resistance.

The Mozambicans contend that national resistance saboteurs are still using South Africa as a sanctuary, and that arms and other supplies are being channelled to the insurgents by air and by sea by elements in the South African armed forces.

The South Africans insist they are honestly trying to enforce the Nkomati accord. Mr Botha claims that he was on the point of successfully negotiating a ceasefire between the Maputo Government and the Mozambique National Resistance last November when the MNR negotiators walked out.

# Study casts doubt on value of mastectomy

From Trevor Fishlock
New York

An American breast cancer study indicates that women who have a tumour excised, with minimum disfigurement, fare as well as those who have the entire breast removed.

The study makes a significant and controversial contribution to the debate in medical circles on the best way to treat breast cancer. The standard conservative action for many years has been mastectomy, a treatment which some women resist and which is emotionally traumatic.

The new study indicates that lumpectomy, followed by radiation treatment, is as effective as mastectomy in cases where tumours are discovered early. Lumpectomy leaves the breast intact, apart from the surgeon's scalpel scar.

For many years surgeons treated breast cancer with radical mastectomy, in which not only the breast but also the underlying muscle and lymph nodes were cut away. But during the 1970s doctors found that this was no better than total mastectomy, in which the breast was removed but the muscles were not. Radical mastectomy is now employed in only about 1 per cent of cases in the United States.

There has been an increasingly "minimalist" approach in recent years and more patients have had their cancer treated by removal of part of the breast or by lumpectomy.

Nevertheless, a number of doctors believe that removal of the breast is still the best treatment. As another consideration, some think that this action avoids the possibility of their being sued by patients whose cancer reoccurs after lumpectomy.

The new study, the results of which are published in the *New England Journal of Medicine*, was financed by the Government as a way of helping to resolve the argument.

During the past nine years a total of 1,843 women in 89 American and Canadian hospitals were monitored. All of them had tumours of one and a half inches in diameter, or less. A third had mastectomies, a third lumpectomies and a third lumpectomies plus radiation.

The overall conclusion of the report is that those who had tumours excised, with or without radiation, have a slightly better prospect of surviving five years than those who had a breast removed.

An analysis, based on 39 months of observation and statistical projection, shows that 85 per cent of those who had lumpectomy and radiation will be alive in five years, while 76 per cent of those who had mastectomy will be alive.

The study shows that follow-up radiation after a lumpectomy is important. Only 7.7 per cent of the women who have this treatment will suffer a reappearance of a tumour, while 28 per cent of those who have lumpectomy without radiation will have a recurrence.

During the study, women who developed another tumour after lumpectomy then underwent mastectomy.

# Khamenei escapes bomb blast at prayers

Teheran (Reuter) – A bomb went off here among tens of thousands of prayer worshippers during a sermon by President Ali Khamenei, killing six people, including the bomber, the official media reported.

After the bomb blast President Khamenei calmly resumed his speech on Teheran campus. He blamed the Paris-based Mujahedin guerrilla group. But Iran's national news agency, IRNA, implied collusion by Iraq, whose warplanes flew over Teheran within half an hour of the blast and met heavy anti-aircraft fire.

IRNA said the air intrusion was "apparently timed unsuccessfully to coincide with the explosion at the university" so Iraq could have claimed its aircraft raided the Friday prayer meeting.

## Hitler's yacht sold for $1

Jacksonville, Florida (AFP) – The Ostwind a yacht built for Adolph Hitler in 1939, was sold for $1 this week by Mr Horace Glass, who had bought it in 1971 for $5,000 and had spent $178,000 on restoring it. Mr Glass who had had to give up work on the yacht for health and financial reasons, said: "I'm losing everything I put into it, plus 12 years of labour not just from me but my family too."

The Ostwind was seized by the US Navy after the Second World War and used by the American Naval Academy as a training ship.

## Minister's fate undecided

The Foreign Office said that it had no confirmation of a news agency report that Mr Norman Saunders, Chief Minister of the Turks and Caicos Islands, who was arrested in Miami last week on drugs charges, had resigned.

Mr Timothy Renton, Under Secretary of State at the Foreign Office hinted in the Commons this week that Mr Saunders should consider resignation in the interests of good government in the islands (Henry Stanhope writes).

## Bus kills 10

Islamabad (AP) – Ten people were crushed to death when a speeding bus ploughed into a group of waiting passengers outside the Pakistan town of Multan. Three of the victims were children.

## Arctic warmth

Oslo (Reuter) – Military exercises to test the Arctic warfare skills of some 10,000 Nato troops began in northern Norway, but military planners were disappointed by warm weather.

## Last Manchus

Peking (AP) – The native tongue of north-east China's Manchu people, who established the Ching dynasty and ruled from 1644 to 1911, is almost extinct, an official Xinhua news agency report said.

# Alfonsin seeks to put Washington in picture

From a Correspondent, Buenos Aires

President Raúl Alfonsin begins an eight-day official visit to the US tomorrow, seeking greater US "comprehension" for Argentina's economic and political problems.

Although he has had harsh words for President Reagan's Central American and nuclear arms policies, Señor Alfonsin is to get red-carpet treatment after his arrival at Langley Air Force base in Virginia tomorrow night.

His schedule includes meetings with President Reagan and the Secretary of State, Mr George Shultz, a speech to a joint session of the US Congress, and visits to New York, Chicago and Houston, Texas.

Argentine officials say the prime objective of Señor Alfonsin's trip will be to seek help in handling Argentina's economic crisis, which consists of a $45 billion foreign debt, a recession and wild inflation that raised prices more the 700 per cent during the last 12 months.

We are looking for better comprehension," says Señor Germán López, President Alfonsin's closest adviser. "Comprehension of the serious difficulties that economic demands pose for a new democracy."

The officials say that Señor Alfonsin will appeal for more US investment in Argentina

Accompanying President Alfonsin will be his new Economy Minister, SeñorJuan Sourrouille, who replaced Señor Bernardo Grinspun as minister last month. Señor Sourrouille has promised to take a hard line against inflation.

But the appointment on Wednesday of Señor Grinspun as Planning Secretary, a key post in the Economy Ministry, is likely to raise US concern about how hard a line Señor Sourrouille can expect to take. While he was minister, Señor Grinspun consistently opposed tough monetary and credit restrictions

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# SPORTING DIARY

Simon Barnes

## Smaller World

Denis Howell, the shadow sports minister, has taken up arms against the television sports boys. London Weekend Television is planning to cut its Saturday afternoon programme, *World of Sport*, down to two hours in September – but Howell thinks this is not on. What's more, he suspects it may be against the Independent Broadcasting Authority's charter, which he believes may include a legal obligation to cover sports other than the major ones. He has written to the IBA and to the Home Office, and hopes for a meeting in April. Meanwhile, he has engaged a lawyer to study the IBA charter to check the extent of its sporting obligations.

## Bolted food

The Royal and Ancient golf club has answered a "Save our sheep" plea from local farmers at Royal St George's, the venue for the 1985 Open Golf Championship. Several animals had to be slaughtered after the last championship in 1981. Autopsies revealed the sheep had swallowed nuts, bolts and nails after the tented village was removed from their grazing land. This time the R and A will use a giant electro-magnet to remove debris.

## Sharp thinking

It seems that the Irish flavour of Cheltenham Festival Week has affected the organizers of the Quantock Staghounds point-to-point meeting, which takes place at Williton today. Some riders have complained that the bends are too sharp. The organizers have solved this problem with uncommon neatness. The races will now be run in the opposite direction.

## Cold shoulder

The recent cold snap produced its fair share of postponements, but when Vale of Leithen met Coldstream in the East of Scotland league, the referee decided to go ahead. After conceding three goals in a first half of driving winds, torrential rain and freezing temperatures, Coldstream decided that enough was enough. Its chairman told the players not to play the second half. The league fined the club and awarded the points to its opponents, but Coldstream is appealing. The same weekend, a Scottish rugby player left the pitch suffering from hypothermia. Coldstream insist it was justified.

## Play the game

Last year, cricket was played on the London stage. Now we have rugby. A play, called *Up'n Under* opens at the Fortune Theatre on March 26, and includes a rugby match in the script. The work, an Edinburgh Festival fringe success, was described thus by one critic: "Six artists simultaneously play both Wheatsheaf and their formidable opponents – bad-tempered zombies breathing fire and with shoulders like dustbins. Ballet, slow motion and man-to-man tackling all contribute to the hilarious finale."

## Women kick-off

The great strides taken by women rugby players are confounding the game's traditions. Last weekend they held a splendid 14-team tournament, including a side from North Carolina. Magor won the final 12-0. The male side of the game has allowed the women to call themselves the Women's Rugby Football Union, despite fears of acronymic confusion with the butch Welshmen. Bastions of the sport have given the women at least nominal support and the number of teams has grown from 20 to 29 in the past 12 months. Most of the new outfits are clubs sides rather than college teams. "Most players would like their club to put our a women's team", said the WRFU's press officer, Tricia Moore. "But the committee men tend to be unsure." However, no committee men in the world can stop a women's international taking place next season. An English, or perhaps a British, side will be taking on the French in Paris.

## Final fling

This weekend, I am privileged to announce the National Indoor Ultimate Frisbee Championships will be held at Warwick University. Ultimate Frisbee is a five-a-side game played with those once-fashionable plastic flying saucers. One of the peculiarities of Ultimate Frisbee is that there are no referees: all disputes, I am told, are settled amicably by the players concerned.

BARRY FANTONI




'Man, that's a lot of money for a smoke-filled basement'

# Falklands: now for normality

by Malcolm Deas

The behaviour of Millwall football supporters – rather worse than that of the Argentinian occupation forces in the Falkland Islands – distracted the House of Commons and the country from Thursday's debate on the Foreign Affairs Select Committee's Falklands report, and the Government's White Paper in reply to it. This is deplorable, since the select committee reached a conclusion that ought to be properly weighed: "The present situation cannot be regarded as being in the best interests of either the United Kingdom or Argentina. That the present situation, although understandable in the short-term, can only offer an uncertain future for the islands in the long-term, and that some kind of accommodation with Argentina is not only inevitable, in view of the cost of the present policy to the UK, but also desirable if the Falklands are to have any prospect of long-term economic prosperity and political stability." The problem of the islands ought to command more attention than a little riot in Luton.

As a debate is a debate, the occasion did not pass without accusations of intransigence, the British Government does not yet deserve them. The situation in the South Atlantic is extraordinarily complex and has no immediate single solution in the realms of practical politics and practical diplomacy. One can agree with the select committee about the need for "some kind of accommodation" with Argentina in future, while at the same time finding it hard to define with any exactness what that should be. One can also agree with the Government's belief that it is prudent and right "to avoid conjecture about the long term" – it can easily produce reactions in still-heightened sensibilities that merely make matters worse.

Unfortunately, the present poor state of communications between the two countries makes for misrepresentation, even at official levels.

The result is dangerous for all concerned. It is not a good thing if otherwise level-headed Argentinian rearmament represents an official attempt to paint an alarmist picture – the Foreign and Commonwealth Office does not share any such evaluation. Nor does the Government wish to see bad relations between Argentina and Chile, or try to create them by plants in the pages of the *New Statesman*. Nor is the preamble of the Falklands Constitution part of some deliberate design to make an intractable situation even more intractable, or the restoration of the title of Governor – the islanders are used to it and prefer it – an aggressive "colonialist" revival. When sober assessments are hard to make, it is not the sober who make themselves heard.

The Government's White Paper repeats the fomula that "successive British governments have made it clear that they have no doubts about our sovereignty over the Falkland Islands", but that is inevitable: governments involved in territorial disputes can never express the slightest public doubt on their position.

It is also inevitable that the document, on the Falklands constitution preamble, should contain paragraphs on self-determination. The Government gives a convincing account of its attempts to restore normal relations with Argentia, and our instransigence is essentially a "refusal to discuss sovereignty in the present situation".

Argentina had several possible motives for her decision at Berne that this was not enough; she was involved in negotiations with Chile and the IMF, and may have felt that anything that looked like a concession could not be risked. There were clear signs that President Alfonsin's policy was not yet fully formulated, and that there were differences in his government about how best to proceed. The outcome was the notion that normalisation of relations could not be discussed without sovereignty.

It is understandable that Argentina fears a return in normalization to further decades of British diplomatic "Micawberism" with Britain idly waiting for proposals to turn down as the issue returns to its old low place on our list of priorities. If that were the case then we would have learnt nothing from 1982, and in due time the rest of the civilized world might line up with Lord Avebury. But normalization would be more likely to lead to dialogue of the sort that Dr Caputo has described in his recent interview with *The Times*, "which does not commit either side, it simply permits each side to understand each other's arguments".

The atmosphere can be changed, and as it changes different possibilities can emerge. The details of how this is to be done are best left to old-fashioned diplomacy.

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Tom Bower on one of the war's great unanswered questions

# Why did the Allies let Hitler live?





Amery, the man who wanted to, Sporburg (right) the man who didn't, and von Stauffenberg, the man who tried; Below, bomb damage from the attempt

Political assassination has played a very occassional role in West European history. As if guided by an accepted convention since the French Revolution, neither politicians nor agitators have generally sought change by murdering a hostile head of state. Yet, on the eve of the fortieth anniversary of VE-Day, one unanswered question still remains: why was Hitler not assassinated by the allies?

Evidence suggests that an assassination operation was feasible, and that Hitler's early death would have shortened the war and saved many lives – without presenting insuperable political problems for an acceptable postwar settlement of Europe. Yet although British intelligence on at least two occasions seriously discussed assassinating Hitler, the idea was rejected each time, for different reasons.

Surviving British intelligence officers are still deeply divided about whether an attempt could have succeeded. They do agree that there were two overriding obstacles: the absence of an effective and politically acceptable resistance movement inside Germany and the crippling lack of reliable intelligence reaching London. It is, however, now quite clear that this was so because of the Foreign Office's adamant refusal to accept that a German could be anti-Nazi.

Politically and strategically, that policy was a fundamental mistake. British intelligence was effectively deprived of the bedrock support that was vital to any covert operation inside the Reich. Significantly, the Americans rejected British policy in 1944 and successfully penetrated inside Germany.

A British assassination operation would have been under the control of the Special Operations Executive. SOE's deputy chief was Harry Sporburg, recently deceased, who in retrospect said he believed that Hitler's assassination would have shortened the war.

Sporburg recalled that the SOE Council's first discussion about the possibility followed the murder of the notorious SS leader Reinhard Heydrich in Prague by a British-trained Czech group in May 1942. After SOE had monitored reports of the horrific reprisals and the apparent lack of any strategic effect on German policy. "We concluded that Hitler's assassination would not end the war earlier and would harm our interests in other parts of the world."

In London Heydrich's murder, even if justifiable, was classed as exceptional, especially by the Foreign Office, which was determined to stay out of what Anthony Eden called the "war crimes business". In Whitehall and Westminster Hitler was still regarded as a head of state with whom, until recently, Britain had sincerely negotiated. It was to take two years before that attitude changed.

By early 1944 the Wehrmacht and Luftwaffe had suffered irreversible losses. With America's seemingly inexhaustible resources at the Allies' disposal Germany's defeat, although still distant, was inevitable. With varying degrees of success, SOE-inspired resistance networks had been established throughout much of occupied Europe and the council had Churchill's wholehearted support for taking any measure that would keep the spirit of resistance alive amid Nazi oppression.

There is conflicting evidence about Churchill's attitude to an assasination attempt against Hitler. Sporburg believed the prime minister's view, as perceived by the SOE council, was crucial. He said: "Churchill probably didn't know in advance about the Heydrich operation. We know that he didn't like to be told about that sort of thing." Because of that, Sporburg concluded, "We had the feeling that Churchill would not have wanted us to assasinate Hitler."

In contrast Julian Amery, a successful SOE agent in Egypt and the Balkans, claims that Churchill above all understood the nature of leadership: "He would have realized that only Hitler's demonic personality kept Germany in the war, especially after June 1944. He would have supported Hitler's removal to shorten the war."

Amery had personally sent a Macedonian terrorist, "Vilmar", to kill Hitler in 1941. On the eve of the attempt in Vienna, "Vilmar" apparantly became drunk and compromised himself. The mission would have needed London's approval but SOE's official historian, M. R. D. Foot, says that he saw no record of it.

Churchill's personal and official papers are also astonishingly silent on the whole issue. A paper referring to Heydrich's assassination surprisingly lacks any handwritten comment by the prime minister, making it difficult to gauge his opinion. However, among US Eighth Air Force papers there is a reference by it commander, Major-General Ira Eaker, to a recommendation by Churchill to bomb a hotel in Paris where Hitler was believed to be staying. Eaker rejected the idea: "That would be like anarchy." Similarly, British suggestions for bombing Hitler's retreat at Berchtesgaden and the Wolfschanze, his eastern command headquarters, were also rejected by the American air forces.

Underlying those requests was Churchill's explicit view of what should be done if Hitler were captured. Convinced by the mass of explicit reports which by 1944 had reached London describing Hitler's genocide policies, Churchill had publicly branded Hitler as a war criminal who, on identification, should be instantly shot. To his chagrin, both Stalin and Roosevelt rejected his proposition.

On balance it would seem that by 1944 Churchill would have favoured Hitler's assassination, but did not explicitly put himself on record. It was therefore without any political directive that the SOE council entered into its second major discussion on the subject.

On July 20, 1944, news of Colonel von Stauffenberg's unsuccessful bomb attempt on Hitler's life at the Wolfschanze reached London. "We were very suprised by that attack," Sporburg recalled, "and for several days the SOE council considered its attitude in a different light. After all, there seemed a possibility that we could send a German group who would get local support."

SOE's X-section, headed by Ronald Thornely, a peacetime employee of the Ideal Boiler Company, was responsible for resistance activities in Germany. Any recommendation for Hitler's assassination would have needed X-section's sponsorship. According to Sporburg, "X-section was not a proper operational section like those running underground activities in occupied countries, but was exclusively involved in anti-Nazi propaganda.

SOE correctly assumed that any group sent to Germany could not have even survived without German sympathisers to provide shelter and information. During the discussion in London, X-section dismissed any notion that a politically acceptable resistance movement existed.

Although Hitler's unprotected public appearances had become rare during 1943, a determined and well-placed person could still discover his travel arrangements. X-section believed however, that it would never get access to this information. Together, those negative arguments convinced a majority of the SOE council, including Sporburg, to abandon the idea.

Sir Peter Wilkinson, for a time SOE's head for central Europe and later a successful SOE agent in Austria, still supports that decision: "Hitler's removal would not have pricked the bubble."

That opinion has been disputed by many Germans since the war. They point to the paralysis that overcame the German military and political establishment in the immediate aftermath of von Stauffenberg's bomb.

It was only Hitler's survival and his extraordinary pressure that protracted the war for nearly 10 months. There is little reason to doubt that a successful allied assassination plot after D-Day would have shortened the war. However, some SOE executives still doubt whether a suitable German group could have been organized from Britain. It is an understandable but erroneous view.

The Foreign Office's wartime German policy was based on the misconception that Germany was monolithically Nazi. Anthony Eden commented in May, 1940, "Hitler is not a phenomenon but a symptom, the expression of a great part of the German nation". In the Foreign Secretary's view, Germans were all bad without exception.

That policy implied the rejection of any possible cooperation with surviving anti-Nazi Germans. German social democratic exiles in London were openly distrusted by Foreign Office officials, who were determined not to allow their return to Germany, even after the war. Consequently X-section, with Foreign Office approval, deliberately shunned the prime reservoir of potential assassins: the German exiles who were obviously anti-Nazi, and more importantly, the swelling ranks of German POWs.

Believing that the US army needed better intelligence in Germany, and frustrated by Eden's anti-German diktat, General Eisenhower appealed twice in 1944 to President Roosevelt to persuade the British to change their view – in vain.

It was only towards the very end of the war that the Americans discussed assassinating Hitler. OSS's European chief, Allen Dulles, based in Switzerland, had good contacts with dissident and high-ranking Germans. He did consider an assassination attempt but was overruled. By then, according to Richard Helms, an OSS agent and later director of the CIA, "No one knew how to get at him."

The question remains whether, had the American policy been adopted earlier, Hitler could have been assassinated and we would have celebrated the fortieth anniversary of VE-Day somewhat earlier.

Philip Howard

# Rustle of distant Thunder

Newspapers are manufactories of waste paper. No: I was not thinking of their end products which arrive on your breakfast table, God and British Railways and the little accidents of the inky trade permitting. You can call the public prints waste paper if you want, depending a bit on which ones you take, and how fastidious or choleric or crotchety you are feeling. I prefer to think of them as irresistible reading today, and fire-lighters or wrapping for cod and chips tomorrow; and, just occasionally instant history, or even literature.

The waste paper I had in mind was the by-product of publishing a daily newspaper. Viz., the old reporter's notebooks, publicity handouts, "blacks" or carbon copies of old pieces, illegible scrawls, cuttings, copy-paper, books, pamphlets, impenetrable memoranda from the Editorial Management Unit or the Editor, and other papery trash with which we load our desks until we are in danger or being buried.

I can see why we never throw anything away. We work at speed, under pressure, and cannot bear to throw any paper in case it may come in useful one rainy day. We are all haunted by the silly incubus that one day we shall be at a loss for something to scribble about, or that the page will come out short of copy, and full of blank patches. We stockpile waste paper as Squirrel Nutkin stockpiled nuts.

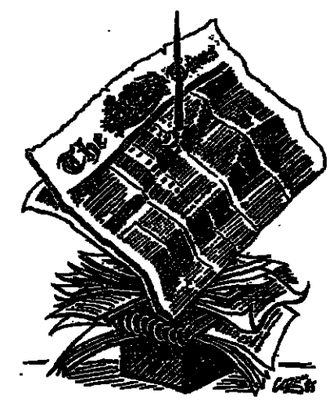
There was a remarkable clearing out of the Augean Paper-Stables a couple of weeks ago when the Queen and the Duke toured the old word factory. Never have I seen such tidy desks. They would not have passed CO's inspection, let alone royal inspections, in the Black Watch, or anywhere else: to a senior naval officer they would have looked cluttered and higgledy-piggledy with paper to the point of irremediable confusion. To a daily journo they looked empty and tidy to the point of Hollywood caricature. But that was two weeks ago, and now we are quite ourselves again, drowning in waste paper.

The bad news is that the British Library is opening an exhibition of this waste paper next Friday. Because of the bicentenary of the aged organ the rotters are exhibiting bits of paper from *The Times* that were never intended for publication. This is going too far, though I can see that there may be some interesting stuff in the mountain of paper.

I do hope they have got the letter from Henry James. He had been invited to contribute an obituary about a literary personage. Being James, asked for 600 words, he had contributed 2,000. The Obituaries Editor wrote back, enclosing galleys (in those faraway days they had things called galleys), thanking him for his eloquent tribute, insinuating that it might be a fraction too long, and inviting James to indicate an optional cut or six to bring the piece down to length.

James wrote back having marked a single sentence as an optional cut. Admittedly it was an Old Pretender's sentence, and went on a bit. But it was nevertheless not enough, as cuts go. In his letter James wrote: "I have marked a passage that you may delete from my article, if you must, without wholly spoiling the flow. BUT YOURS IS A BUTCHER'S TRADE." I am consoled by this story whenever I am total gules, having had to carve a review to pieces on the stone.

But the British Library cannot exhibit that, because the authorship of obituaries and leaders is embargoed in our archives until the Last Trump; and even then it is for the eyes of the Recording Angel only. So I am afraid that the exhibition is not going to solve the mystery of the *Times* leader that led directly to the resignation of a prime minister.



Nevertheless, the British Library intend to expose a great deal of fascinating and indiscreet waste paper that was never intended for the public eye. They have Russell's Crimea notebooks and other stuff for which the world is not yet prepared. I doubt whether this is wise, and reckon it should be stopped.

If it is too late to stop it, I shall be extremely interested to see whether, for instance, they have managed to identify the potent but invisible hand of Delane in more than a couple of leaders. He was editor for 36 years, and once observed: "Not a column has been published in *The Times* which has not some of my handwriting in the margin." But he was an organizing and politicking and socializing rather than a writing journo.

I hope the British Library has a section of editor's memos. I used to enjoy the ones from a former editor which started, "Some confusion appears to have arisen over . . .", and went of for pages until what had been as clear as noon was as obscure as midnight. It is going to cause trouble. But what larks, Pip, what larks!

Gillian Tindall

# Something in the city

When I was a child there was a radio programme which claimed to "stop the mighty roar of London's traffic" to interview passers-by "in Town tonight". The message was clear: London, then the largest city in the world, heart of the Empire, was an exciting if intimidating place, part glittering centre of sophistication and big business, part docks and warehouses, part slums over which soot and Cockney warmth were deemed to be spread in equal quantities.

Now that London has lost its docks, many of its warehouses, its soot, the Empire and its world position, such an attitude is not only untenable but untaken. Today traffic is just as likely to roar through small country towns, and those wanting the big city thrill will find it in more concentrated form in other capitals.

Meanwhile Londoners themselves are deeply embroiled in environmentalism, which mainly means trying to make their own bit of London as much like a non-urban habitat as possible. With a fine disregard for the fact that commerce and communcations are what big cities are about, they campaign ceaselessly for pedestrian areas, more gardens, for keeping lorries out and urban motorways non-existent.

I am by no means sure about the wisdom, or indeed the disinterested objectivity, of some of these campaigns, but I have to admit that, after its brief late nineteenth- early twentieth-century flirtation with urban glamour, London is simply reverting to its original type. Most of it was never built as a city at all.

I am fond of London, but even its best friends agree that it does not function efficiently, in terms of housing, transport or sense of identity. The fact that some critics put this down to that well-known disease Planners' Destruction ("all those awful high-rise flats") while others ascribe its basic ills to a lack of planning over the past 30 years simply indicaes where the real problem lies. Neither satisfactory modern city nor well-preserved urban museum, committed neither to business enterprise nor to residential desirability, London currently falls between two stools.

The cities which function best today are those which make few concessions to the rural dream. Paris and New York both have their social problems – New York notoriously so – but these have more to do with the societies they service than with the physical qualties of the inner city area, which in both cases functions well as a cityscape in which to work, communicate and enjoy yourself. They may not do so well as places to raise families or grow old, but then that is not what they are for.

Both cityscapes are visually beautiful and exciting, though each in its own style. Central Manahattan is the classic example of a city that has virtually obliterated its past in a dazzle of skyscrapers, whereas Pris is probably the world's most complete example of a late nineteenth century cityscape that has been converted to twentieth century uses without destruction.

Total recreation was also worked in Hong Kong, whose copper and silver towers now soar above a bay largely abandoned by Chinese junks. Old Hong Kong has been so far obliterated that the new has entirely taken over. The new (which seems to work well for all its inhabitants, from the richest bankers to the street sellers) can therefore be appreciated for its own sake.

It is cities in a stage of transition which poignantly remind one of all that has been lost while not yet having created convincing new stage-sets. Macao, down the coast from Hong Kong, 20 years ago was a battered but charming Portuguese town. Odd corners of it still exist, but its once picturesque approach from the sea is now a slurry of reclaimed land out of which rise the carcasses of gaudy casinos and half-built tourist hotels. In another 20 years, however, it may perhaps acquire the glamour, assurance and purpose of its big sister up the coast.

Here at home, many will remember the horror that was Birmingham in the early 1960s, when the old town was being eviscerated and the new was not yet born: but now the new has come, urban motorways, pedestrian precincts, pickled surviving monuments and all, it would be churlish not to admit that the new does have a panache of its own. Liverpool, more hesitantly subjected to something like the same treatment, is still chaotic, like a chunk of Dublin that has been dropped from a height and broken into bits.

As for Dublin itself, it remains a beautiful miniature eighteenth century townscape which, sadly, is neither valued nor used by its inhabitants as it should be.

Provincial, lightly populated, easy-going, Dublin alas is not currently under the transforming pressures that force a city either to come to terms with its past or to project herself fully into the future. And London?

# Phone calls that don't go by the book

Technological pranksters, be they computer hackers or the phone phreaks of the 1960s, have long known how to rob telephone companies but it has always been a minority pursuit. From March 22, however, anyone with a soldering iron, a paperback that's being published on that day and 50p for a few commonly available electrical components, stands a good chance of learning how to receive free calls.

The black box that makes it possible is described in *The Hacker's Handbook* by "Hugo Cornwall" (Century Communications, £4.95). Moreover anyone with £4-5 and the soldering iron and what Cornwall calls "a well-stocked junk box" can make free outgoing calls. The black boxes are said by their adherents to be undetectable in use and removable in a second by tugging two wires, should an unwelcome visitor appear. The book does not contain the vital frequencies necessary to make this trick work.

How is British Telecom reacting to this potential surge of tyro funsters and fraudsters? Dozily. This week they had not read or heard of the book but a spokesman, Mr Chris Adler, said: "It's very irresponsible. These people are cheating everyone who uses the service. Be thankful to Mr Cornwall for keeping up the cost of telephone calls.

"If we come across that sort of stuff, we'll ask the person to take it off. If they won't, then we'll disconnect. We'd decide whether to prosecute according to the circumstance."

Hardly a staggering deterrent, but punishment arrives remarkably seldom in the world of computer crime, let alone the naughty tricks of hackers. An American source, Advance Information Management, reckons that only one computer crime in 22,000 is successfully prosecuted.

Losses from computer fraud are unknown but estimated to be enormous. British computer fraud has been estimated at between £500 million and £2.5 billion, while in America the Stanford Research Institute estimates that it accounts for £3.000 million a year.

"Hugo Cornwall" (who is keeping his identity secret since he's an expert in computer security for banks and other senstitive businesses) exhorts his readers to observe a sort of Countryside Code and to eschew fraud. But this is a naughtier book than it sounds on the surface. Hackery by its very nature involves theft of at least information, telephone and computer time and electricity. Cornwall acknowledges that it is "semi-legal and seldom encouraged", but goes on to describe hackers' attempts to gain unauthorized entry into computers as "a recreational and educational sport".

So it may be, but a "sport" with potential to turn illegal. Cornwall, for instance, sets out two methods of getting more than one's weekly cash limit out of a bank's cash dispensing machine. He says that the loopholes he describes are now plugged but adds that a £300 computer reader and a £1,500 reader/writer are on the market that are compatible with personal computers.

This means that hackers can read the algorythms within the magnetic strip on their cash cards. Experiments with what happens to the algorythms when cash is withdrawn, Cornwall speculates, should lead easily to the creation of false indentities which can quickly be imprinted on the same card each of which will be able to withdraw its own £50.

Cornwall expects to see this happen any day and says the banks are fighting back by phasing out magnetic strips in favour of "smart cards". But the war goes on to the hackers' hackneyed-sounding motto: "to boldly go where no man has hacked before."

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# REAGANOMICS RESTORED?

In his 1985 *Economic Report* to Congress, President Reagan was almost bombastic in his assessment of the American economy. He contrasted the situation in 1981, when the USA suffered from declining productivity and the highest inflation in the postwar period, with an apparently much happier situation today. In his words, "With conviction in our principles, with patience and hard work, we restored the economy to a condition of healthy growth without substantial inflation."

Is the restoration really under way? Now that Senate Republicans are close to agreeing a spending cuts package with the Administration, the President seems to be making progress on one of his largest outstanding problems, the budget deficit.

America's low level of inflation can be explained partly by the vitality of American labour markets. Strengthening demand for labour has been translated into more jobs and output, rather than into higher wage settlements. But another contributory influence has been the dollar's remarkable appreciation on the foreign exchanges. This has made imports cheaper and discouraged companies vulnerable to foreign competition from raising prices.

Indeed, there is growing evidence that the overvalued dollar is disturbing the allocation of resources between industries. Profitability in exporting or import-competing sectors has fallen compared to that in sectors selling entirely to the domestic market. As a result investment is moving away from areas mainly in manufacturing industry, which have been damaged by the high dollar into other areas which have been relatively immune.

Until recently the majority of American political commentators have been sanguine about these developments. The dollar's advance against other currencies has been based on heavy capital inflows which seem to reflect worldwide confidence in the efficiency of the American economy. The money from abroad helps investment in high-tech industries where it has been taken for granted that the USA has a commanding lead over other countries.

The mood of complacency and self-congratulation is beginning to change. A number of studies have shown that the USA is now running a trade deficit not only in traditional manufactured products, but also in high-tech goods. The largest computer company in the world, IBM, has complained that its earnings have been reduced by the dollar's excessive popularity on the foreign exchanges. Motorola, a leading producer of integrated circuits and a company which regards itself as in the vanguard of technology, has urged import restrictions against foreign suppliers. Deep troubles in the agriculture sector are now beginning to send shivers through the banking system.

The reality is that the heavy capital inflows have not been particularly to promote investment in high-tech, but to increase foreign holdings of a wide variety of dollar assets, with government debt much the most important. Investors believe that American government debt is a safe haven, yielding a high return with little risk, in a troubled international environment. The Reagan Administration – whether intentionally or not – has exploited this belief by incurring large budget deficits and supplying foreigners with massive quantities of the debt they are so eager to purchase. It shows little sign of having considered how difficult the problem of servicing the debt will be in future.

In its December *Economic Outlook* the OECD expressed scepticism about the viability of American policy. It noted that fixed investment would eventually be needed to generate additional exports to cover interest payments on the external debt. But, it continued, the rapid growth in investment in 1983 and 1984 "has been concentrated in office, computing and accounting machinery and autos and trucks. These data do not appear to support strong statements about future export performance". If America does eventually have to mount an export drive to prevent a slide into a Brazilian-style financial morass, it will have to spend less on computers and autos and more on factories and machine tools.

No one knows exactly how large America's external debt will be by the end of Reagan's second term. Economists have speculated that it could reach 1,000 billion dollars by 1990. Even if it were to be only half that, a substantial trade surplus – of 50 billion dollars or more every year – would be needed for the debt to be serviced properly.

At present, by contrast, the USA's trade is in the red by 10 billion dollars a month. The figure is likely to increase later in 1985. To move from a deficit of almost 150 billion dollars a year to a surplus of 50 billion dollars a year will require a drastic reshuffling of resources between different parts of the American economy. People and capital will have to move away from today's boom industries, like property development and data processing consultancy, back towards such currently unprofitable activities as farming and mining.

This wrench will be unpleasant. It will involve a devaluation of the dollar and a reduction in domestic demand. The devaluation of the dollar will lead to higher inflation, while the reduction in domestic demand will cause a recession. For President Reagan the prospect need not be a particular worry. Most of the problems will be inherited by his successor. But it seems unlikely that, three or four years from now, the American economy will be in the fortunate condition of "healthy growth without substantial inflation" or that Reagonomics will be considered an unqualified triumph.

# TIME TO HEAL THE WOUNDS

It was not to be expected that an industry damaged by a conflict as intense as the miners' strike could return to real peace as soon as the conflict ended. Part of the psychological apparatus for sustaining the resolve of striking miners was the constant channelling of anger and resentment against their colleagues who had recognized the futility of the dispute and gone back to work. These feelings are not instantly wiped out by the experience of having joined them on the same road: in fact turning on a scapegoat may be the readiest means of relieving frustration. Over the industry as a whole, there have been fewer reports of serious outbreaks than might have been feared, though no doubt many minor incidents go unremarked. But faced with tensions like those which came to the surface at Aberavon and Barnsley this week, pit managements have a duty to secure the safety of miners who led the way back, and to take firm action against intimidation and violence.

For the miners themselves, outbursts of violence towards their fellows can only delay the process of healing, as Mr Norman Willis rightly warned on Thursday. There is all too little evidence of similar wise counsel from the national leaders of the union itself.

The end of the strike creates an unpredictable state of affairs which all parties involved must assess with care. ICI's announcement this week that it has revived plans for a £43 million conversion to coal at an oil-burning power station, resuming a programme halted by the strike, shows that there is readiness in industry to put faith in coal as a reliable source of power again. The fall in the pound has made British coal cheaper in international terms and better able to compete with imported fuels, if only faith can be fully restored. But it will not be possible to take full advantage of this if the industry remains crippled by internal conflicts and unable to restore production quickly.

In the union itself, the return to work has brought to a head bitter conflicts over past and future policy. The overtime ban is being kept formally in being as a bargaining counter in the dispute over the dismissed strikers, but there are already signs that the ban is beginning to crumble as the strike did before it. Many miners are only too eager to resume overtime to recoup some of the money lost while on strike, and NUM officials seem often to be tacitly accepting that they may. Not one but two missed annual pay rises are still waiting to be negotiated.

The most awkward problem for the national leadership is that of the dissident Nottinghamshire area and its satellites, Leicestershire and South Derbyshire, whose challenge is becoming increasingly confident. If the union leaders yield to militant impulse and try to bring them to heel, they risk driving them out of the union altogether. But this development would be not at all unwelcome to the Coal Board. Any tendency for the union to break up into autonomous sections would suit Mr MacGregor rather well. He has made no secret of his preference for a move in the direction of a devolution of power which would give greater discretion to managers on the spot, and more local industrial bargaining with a smaller risk of concerted national strike action. Recent area meetings between officials in Yorkshire and elsewhere have begun to set up channels of communication by-passing the national leadership. The NUM executive meeting next Thursday has to make a choice between diplomatically retreating from a posture of confrontation which many of their followers reject, or sticking to it at risk of bringing closer a fragmentation of their power which could only play into the hands of their opponents.

# – AND A PENNY ON PEACOCKS

Sometimes a Chancellor wrestling with the unyielding raw materials of Budget-making must look wistfully towards the informal mechanisms (existing in Sardinia, for instance) which contribute towards the redistribution of wealth in some foreign parts. Unduly conspicuous consumption leads to kidnap, and so to ransom and the release of hoarded resources back into the community. It will not do for any Chancellor here to enrol Robin Hood in the Inland Revenue, but the temptation must be strong.

The answer for Mr Lawson lies in a special tax on really blatant spending – a special impost only on consumer items high up in the luxury league. Those who can afford caviare can afford an additional percentage on the price – not too much, for the purpose would be to raise significant revenue without making any particular transaction costly enough to induce the contortions of tax-avoiding behaviour to be seen today.

Taxation aimed at the inordinately well-padded might start, for instance, with the over-long drive. How long a drive does a man need, as Tolstoy might have asked? Surely no more than 100 yards. One thousand pounds a year for each extra hundred would be quite a moderate charge upon the desire for exclusivity. So would a levy on first-class air tickets, or a special licence to shoot game or cast for salmon, with a suitable short-term licence for foreign tourists. The farmer who needs a shotgun to shoot vermin should not be subject to sumptuary taxation, but a heavy contribution could be exacted from owners with two or more shotguns, plainly intended for sport.

In the city, a tax on penthouses would catch some. A duty on winter suntans would be very worth while, if a practicable means of assessment could be found. A hundred per cent duty on wines selling for more than ten pounds a bottle (or double that for port and triple for vintage) would be an excellent innovation. Yachts of more than 40 feet on the waterline and private aircraft would surely be fair game. An excess licence duty for vehicles with more than two and a half litres capacity would be a very useful source of revenue, phased in by easy stages. A speed surcharge for every ten miles an hour of maximum speed above 100 mph would catch those whose (other) car is a Porsche. Such cars would only be deductible as a business expense if they displayed a trade name in letters not less than one foot high.

It might be objected that such a tax would earn little and depress economic activity by discouraging the wealthy from showering their money around. On the contrary, pitched at the right level, it should actually encourage that socially beneficial activity. It would confer on a limited number of outstandingly glossy commodities the extra glamour of being officially identified as top-grade luxury merchandise. Half the fun of conspicuous consumption is having every onlooker fully aware that preposterous sums have been spent. The addition of a modest rate of tax will make the ownership of a private swimming pool just a little more gratifying, and thus lead more people to install private pools, providing local employment and spurring their neighbours on to emulation. They would all grumble, and grumbling would be half the satisfaction – for the truth would be that this would uniquely be a tax that it would actually be a pleasure to pay.

# LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## American veto on Israel resolution

*From Mr Ivor Lucas*

Sir, We all deplore the appalling violence in Lebanon, from whichever quarter it comes. But the US veto on Security Council condemnation of recent Israeli conduct in the south is ludicrous, illogical and short-sighted.

Ludicrous because, of the various warring factions, the Israelis have no right to be there now anyway (if they ever had): the Americans, among others, seem to have forgotten that in June, 1982, they voted for Security Council resolutions calling for unconditional Israeli withdrawal – resolutions which, despite their unusual unanimity, have since been cynically ignored.

Illogical because their latest veto has been used in the name of "even-handedness", a quality conspicuously absent from the American approach to the wider Middle East issue, as well as to the Lebanese problem itself.

Shortsighted because that same onesided approach makes it almost impossible for any Arab leader who values his honour, let alone his skin, to engage in a peace process on the basis of the current US proposals.

The coincidence of the veto with President Mubarak's apparently fruitless visit to Washington, reported together in your issue today (March 13, final edition) speaks volumes.

Yours faithfully,
IVOR LUCAS (Ambassador to Syria, 1982-84),
65 Newstead Way, SW19.
March 13.

## The Jewish vote

*From Mr James Kennard*

Sir, The formulation of your correspondent today (March 13), Mr John Reading, that all Jews are Zionists and therefore supporters of the Government of Israel until they declare otherwise, is both offensive and false.

It is offensive to Jews because such pre-judgements would not (one hopes) be applied to any other community, and false because a Zionist is a supporter of Israel's right to exist, and does not necessarily agree with all the policies of her government.

Mr Reading's confusion is understandable, however, since Israel is one of the few countries which need a political movement to express their right to exist. This is because it is the only country in the world with a score of states and dozens of terrorist organisations pledged to its destruction.

Yours faithfully,
JAMES KENNARD,
New College,
Oxford.
March 13.

## Man of stature

*From Mr R. E. Bickford*

Sir, "Balding and short", says your correspondent today, "Mr Gorbachov does not have the physical appearance of a great leader". It all depends, as Professor Joad used to say, on what you mean by a great leader.

Some leaders of international impact who might be embraced by the description "balding and short" spring to mind: Mussolini, Tojo, perhaps Churchill, and even (was it?) Catherine the Great.

Nelson (judging from his portrait) might not be described as balding, but he was almost certainly the shortest great leader (or greatest short leader?) of all time.

Yours sincerely,
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St John's,
Woking,
Surrey.
March 12.

## Hard to stomach

*From Mr Craig Sams*

Sir, As one whose "healthy food" company has never used sugar in its products since 1967, and has never sought public funds to support its operations, I would like to register my incredulity at Digby Anderson's attack (March 12) on the alleged "Food-Leninists" whom he accuses of seeking to control the nation's diet.

In the real world out here farmers and many food manufacturers are addicted to a subsidized food supply system which prices natural products out of the mass market, while creating unsaleable surpluses of sugar, beef, butter, undrinkable wine, and inedible grain. The real "Food-Leninists" have been around for a long time, and are still manipulating the levers of political power to ensure that the law and the price mechanism for food are distorted in favour of high fat, high sugar foodstuffs.

Four times between 1979 and 1981 this company defended in court its right to produce jams without using sugar, finally winning on appeal. In 1982 the laws governing preserves were changed, specifying 12 different forms of subsidized refined sugar as permissible sweeteners. Apple juice, our sweetening agent, was excluded, thereby in effect driving us outside the law again.

Having been on the wrong side of the State's "protection" in the past, we have no wish to be part of any well-intentioned 15-year plans for the future. However, Digby Anderson's complacent attitude towards the apparatchiks who already dominate our food industry ill-equips him to raise the banner against some hypothesized future coercive apparatus.

Yours faithfully,
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March 12.

## Fresh look at alternative medicine

*From the Chairman of the Research Council for Complementary Medicine*

Sir, I read with interest the Spectrum article, "Taking the alternative road to health" (March 13) and note that in its general tenor it confirms a statement made at a conference held last weekend by the Research Council for Complementary Medicine to the effect that complementary practitioners often underestimate the sympathy that exists for them amongst their orthodox colleagues.

I would like, however, to come to the defence of Lord Glenarthur, whose comments in the House of Lords the report's authors criticise as merely "repeating almost every known BMA cliche," particularly in connection with research. Clearly, objective research into complementary medicine is vital for the protection of the public, for the benefit of the practitioners and to help improve communication with the orthodox profession. In this respect it is no coincidence that the research council and the Council for Complementary and Alternative Medicine have a number of their members in common.

In this rapidly developing situation balance is of the greatest importance and the research council's strength is that as an independent charity it has amongst its trustees eminent practitioners from both orthodox and complementary practice.

Yours faithfully,
RICHARD D. TONKIN, Chairman,
The Research Council for Complementary Medicine,
Suite 1, 19a Cavendish Square, W1.
March 13.

*From the Chairman of the Chartered Society of Physiotherapy*

Sir, Your leading article (March 13) having laid to rest two "legends" regarding complementary or alternative medicine, I wonder if I might be permitted to demolish a third?

The holistic, alternative or natural approach to treatment is not restricted to practitioners outside orthodox medicine. Indeed, the third largest clinical group within the NHS – physiotherapists – use neither drugs nor surgery, and the profession's approach to patient care since it was founded in the last century has always been based on a holistic model of assessment, analysis and treatment.

What is disturbing is the implication in your leader that such an approach might not be suitable within the NHS. The hundreds of thousands of patients who have been successfully treated by physiotherapists, and the GPs, consultants and other professionals who refer their patients with confidence to members of our profession, know the enormous contribution which the natural approach makes to patient care, and the cost-effectiveness of such treatment.

Let us not forget also that "alternative medicine" has become big business. Any attempt to control the exploitation of patients by the many dubious and unqualified practitioners who have jumped on the bandwagon must be welcomed, and not least by the many chartered physiotherapists who work in private practice. But natural treatment should not be restricted to those who can afford to pay and we must ensure that sufficient funds are allocated to maintain and improve the existing physiotherapy services within the NHS.

Yours faithfully,
JOYCE I. WILLIAMS, Chairman,
The Chartered Society of Physiotherapy,
14 Bedford Row, WC1.
March 14.

*From Dr H. W. K. Acheson*

Sir, Your leader, "Holistic healing" (March 13), refers, quite rightly, to the need for "statistically demonstrable and repeatable results" when assessing therapeutic measures in medicine. It is based on a report by Ruth West and Brian Inglis (page 10) which purports to demonstrate the views of general practitioners about alternative medicine.

This report, and its somewhat sweeping conclusions, is based on a survey of 108 GPs, a number which represents less than half a per cent of all GPs and cannot, on this ground alone, be regarded as statistically valid. As a correct assessment of GPs' opinion the report is therefore valueless.

Yours faithfully,
H. W. K. ACHESON,
University of Manchester,
The Department of General Practice,
Rusholme Health Centre,
Walmer Street,
Manchester.
March 13.

## Cost of education

*From the Headmaster of Cheltenham Grammar School*

Sir, The Headmaster of Watford Grammar School (March 7) pursues one approach to the question of the proper price to pay for education, and rhetorically invites others. May I beg the courtesy of your columns to respond?

I also choose my ground with a careful appreciation of the quantitative preference of the present Government, whose guiding text often seems to be: if you can't count it, discount it.

Because teachers are operating in a contracting market, and one furthermore in which the normal pattern of age distribution of teachers has been distorted by the use of premature retirement as a means of responding to falling rolls, there have for many years now been seriously diminished opportunities for promotion.

However dedicated and distinguished an individual teacher may be, he cannot progress beyond his present salary scale unless his school has "salary points" available from its pool of entitlement, whose size is determined by the number of children in the school. Thus he depends upon movement out of the school by someone on a scale above basic, and his replacement being on the basic scale – and even then the pool of salary points available to the school may be reduced at the triennial review if the school roll has fallen significantly.

The consequence of this downward spiral is that an increasing majority of teachers will never have any realistic prospect of rising above, at best, the maximum point of scale 2, currently £9,597, and to reach that requires some 12 years of service.

That salary, which is the best that the majority of teachers can ever hope to achieve, is fractionally greater than that received by an 18½-year-old constable on joining the Metropolitan Police force – not including his overtime and housing allowance, neither of which is available to a teacher.

Many of our current ills are ascribed to the alleged deficiencies of the nation's public (*sic*) schools; I trust that we shall not also be held to be the authors of the misfortunes described above, on the fashionably market force theory that, if schools were better, parents would be encouraged to produce more consumers of their wares!

Yours faithfully,
P. J. BAMFORD, Headmaster,
The Grammar School,
Princess Elizabeth Way,
Cheltenham,
Gloucestershire.

## Charitable helpers

*From the General Secretary of The Samaritans*

Sir, In his valuable article on work opportunities in the voluntary sector (Horizons, March 7) Corinne Julius states that most job opportunities are to be found in those organizations whose main aim is to help people directly in need.

Lest it be thought that this is always the case can I report that this organization, whose volunteers provide two million hours per annum of immediate availability to those in need, offers only 4½ posts in central management and two posts in our biggest branch, besides some secretarial posts, mostly part-time.

The impression could have been given of paid leadership and volunteer followers: in this, as in many other organizations, reliable and committed management is available for the asking from willing volunteers.

Yours etc,
DAVID EVANS, General Secretary,
The Samaritans,
17 Uxbridge Road,
Slough, Berkshire.

## Pensions and leaks

*From Mr Alec L. Parrott*

Sir, Lord Swann (March 9) is right to draw attention to the long-term nature of the problem of pensions provision. Planning now for the system which will determine the pension rights (State, occupational or other) 40 or 50 years hence of the young people just leaving school cannot sensibly be carried out on outworn lines of party politics.

But I would take issue with him in expressing dismay about the leaks, if leaks they are, concerning the progress of the Government's review of the subject. In a matter vitally affecting every man, woman and child in the country the more information that can be leaked about the internal debate the better.

Surely in terms of the big stores of information covered by the Official Secrets Act, the good leakers of the DHSS might be classed as Barkers rather than Pontings?

Yours faithfully,
ALEC L. PARROTT,
Albion Cottage,
3 Grays Lane,
Ashtead, Surrey.

## The first cormorant?

*From Mr Christopher Baillieu*

Sir, I am sorry to disappoint Mr G. H. Stevens (March 11), but those of us fortunate enough to spend time on the River Thames above Putney have been able to enjoy cormorants fishing singly, or in pairs, throughout the winter. In recent years they have spread down river from Syon Park, opposite Kew Gardens, where they can be seen, often a dozen at a time, airing their wings in the trees by the riverside.

Interestingly, the herons originating from the heronry at Syon seem to have travelled further downstream with them each year and I spotted herons standing by Putney water's edge at night recently.

Regretfully, the burgeoning population of cormorants and herons have not been accompanied by similar numbers of swans, which are almost extinct on the Tideway.

Yours faithfully,
CHRISTOPHER BAILLIEU,
40 Festing Road,
Putney, SW15.
March 13.

## Job designation

*From the Editor of* The Miner

Sir, In your post-strike analysis (March 8) I am referred to as the NUM's "propaganda chief." Th is incorrect. My duties are confined to producing *The Miner*, and, on occasion, some outside material.

As every labour correspondent knows, the NUM's day-by-day press relations are the responsibility of the press office, a quite separate department and one over which I have no jurisdiction at all.

Yours faithfully,
MAURICE JONES, Editor,
*The Miner*,
National Union of Mineworkers,
St James' House,
Vicar Lane, Sheffield,
South Yorkshire.
March 11.

## VE Day celebrations

*From Dr W. H. Watson*

Sir, During the last days of the war in Europe some pathetic remnants of a German scratch force, mainly elderly men and young boys, limped past the Allied prisoner of war hospital where I was an unqualified auxiliary assistant. The small rearguard, however, were obviously seasoned troops. They prepared to blow up the old stone bridge which crossed the river immediately in front of the hospital.

The senior British medical officer protested, pointing out that the explosion could blow in the front of the building, which was crammed with wounded.

The German officer in charge said that he had no choice but to deny the bridge to the Americans who were very close behind, but much against his military judgement he would allow a 10 minute delay to enable the front of the hospital to be evacuated. The American tanks consequently arrived before the demolition charges could be fired. The German party, while trying to escape, were shot at, and some were killed.

I have no doubt others can recall similar acts of humanity by enemies who exposed themselves to considerable risk in performing them. By commemorating with former Allies and enemies this nobler side of man, those who lost their lives because humanity overrode self-preservation will not have died in vain.

Yours faithfully,
W. H. WATSON,
17 St John's Hill,
Shrewsbury, Shropshire.
March 10.

## Fairer play

*From Mr Robert R. Trotter*

Sir, Can your correspondent, Mr Green (March 12), be serious in suggesting that a footballer should escape the consequences of his misconduct if the match he would be forced to miss is an exceptionally important one? If a player wishes to make sure that he does not miss a Final he has only to refrain from any conduct that might lead to his booking and suspension – in which case sportsmanship and fair play would carry their own rewards.

Yours faithfully,
ROBERT R. TROTTER,
Flat 2,
46 The Chase, SW4.
March 12.

## Conditioned reflex

*From Dr John Herbert*

Sir, After I receive a reply from an answering machine on the telephone, I cannot prevent myself from saying "thank you" and "goodbye". What indeed does ☎ signify?

Yours sincerely,
JOHN HERBERT,
Pendyffryn,
17 Gelli Avenue,
Risca, Gwent.

## ON THIS DAY

MARCH 16 1933

*On January 30 1933 Adolf Hitler was installed as Chancellor of Germany leading a Cabinet in which the Nazis held only three out of the 11 seats. Purges began almost immediately and political parties and trade unions were suppressed. In July the Nazi Party was formally declared to be the only political party in the country.*

## "CLEANING UP" BERLIN

### RAID ON ARTISTS' COLONY

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT

BERLIN, MARCH 15

Three hundred policemen, 60 detectives, and 20 "plain clothes Nazi auxiliary police" to-day descended on Friedenau, the Chelsea of Berlin, posted police officers with carbines at all approaches, and raided several hundred flats, the occupants of which are described by the Nazi *Angriff* to-day as "Jewish literati and drawing-room Bolshevists".

The "artists' colony" in Friedenau consists of three large blocks of small modern flats, and here writers, actors, artists, Socialist and Communist journalists, and the like have settled. Many of them are persons of tolerant views, of liberal Socialist or Communist opinions, and of unconventional or original thought. Few people would have realized until they read to-day's *Angriff* that a "Communist murder headquarters" and a "Bolshevist plague centre" were concealed in these pleasant tenements.

The flats were systematically raided, the doors in some cases being smashed by auxiliary police, or entrance obtained from fire escapes run up to windows. Many of the tenants were absent; the reason is in the cautious allusions of the German Press already transmitted in this correspondence to domiciliary visitations, arrest and confinement by unauthorized persons. According to the Herr Hugenberg's *Nachtausgabe* bullet-holes were found in the door of the residence of one absentee, an alleged Communist writer; "other tenants state that the flats had already been raided a few days ago, and the occupant had thought it advisable to disappear."

Some persons – said to include a Russian and a Croatian Jew – were arrested, and large quantities of subversive literature were loaded on police tenders, while a red flag discovered was burned in the street. After some four hours the raid was finished, the police and the public sang the Nazi "Horst Wessel" song and the police drove off.

### CAPTAIN GORING

The raid may presumably be linked with Captain Goring's latest contribution to the manifestos of Nazi Ministers calling for discipline. In this statement presented in characteristic turns of phrase, he explained that the "cleaning up" process within his sphere of activity would be taken in hand systematically by himself. If there should be any danger of delay he was to be informed by telephone so that he might take action. He was convinced that the national population had the necessary confidence in his measures and would therefore consider direct action necessary in future.

# COURT AND SOCIAL

## COURT CIRCULAR

BUCKINGHAM PALACE
March 15: The Queen arrived at Matlock Station in the Royal Train this morning to visit Derbyshire and was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Derbyshire (Colonel Peter Hilton) and the Chairman of the County Council (Councillor J. Carty).

The Queen drove to Underhall Housing Project, Darley Dale and, having been received by the Chairman, West Derbyshire District Council (Councillor Mrs M. E. Gillan), unveiled a commemorative plaque and opened the Project.

Her Majesty subsequently visited Queen Elizabeth's Grammar School, Ashbourne, to mark the 400th Anniversary of the grant of their Charter, and was received by the Headmaster (Mr A. Smith) and the Chairman of the Governors (Mrs E. Plumbly).

Afterwards, the Queen visited Ashbourne Town Hall where Her Majesty was received by the Mayor of Ashbourne (Councillor Mrs M. Glossop).

The Queen then drove to the original Grammar School building, was received by Mr Smith and Mrs Plumbly, and was entertained at luncheon in the School Dining Room.

In the afternoon Her Majesty visited J. W. Thornton's Ltd, toured the factory, escorted by the Managing Director (Mr J. Thornton), and unveiled a commemorative plaque.

The Queen later opened Chesterfield and North Derbyshire Royal Hospital and, having been received by the Chairman, Trent Regional Health Authority (Sir Michael Carlisle) and the Chairman, North Derbyshire Health Authority (Mr R. B. Robinson), unveiled a commemorative plaque and toured the hospital.

Afterwards, Her Majesty visited Remploy Ltd at Chesterfield, was received by the Chairman (Mr A. E. Frost) and toured the factory, escorted by the factory manager (Mr A. Reynolds).

The Duchess of Grafton, Sir William Heseltine and Lieutenant-Colonel Blair Stewart-Wilson were in attendance.

The Princess Anne, Mrs Mark Phillips, Patron of the Home Farm Trust, this afternoon visited the Old Quarries, Avening, Gloucestershire.

Her Royal Highness was received by Her Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant for Gloucestershire (Colonel Martin Gibbs) and the Chairman of the Trust (Mr F. Evans).

By command of The Queen, the Viscount Boyne (Lord in Waiting) was present at Heathrow Airport, London this morning upon the departure of The Duke of Kent for Barbados and bade farewell to His Royal Highness on behalf of Her Majesty.

By command of the Queen, the Viscount Boyne (Lord in Waiting) called upon the President of the Arab Republic of Egypt and Mrs Mubarak this evening at Claridge's and, on behalf of Her Majesty, bade farewell to their excellencies on their departure from this country.

CLARENCE HOUSE
March 15: Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother was represented by Sir Martin Gilliat at the Memorial Service for Sir Arthur Bryant which was held in Westminster Abbey today.

YORK HOUSE, ST JAMES'S PALACE
March 15: The Duchess of Kent today visited the John Chapman Day Centre at Swaffham and later opened St Katherine's Court, King's Lynn.

Her Highness, who travelled in an aircraft of the Queen's Flight, was attended by Mrs David Napier.

# Being still 'me' in a heavenly body

Some years ago one of our London churches disappeared. It turned up not long afterwards in Fulton, Missouri. The diocese of London had given the church, and Americans willingly supplied the resources to transplant it so that it could be a memorial to a famous wartime speech that Winston Churchill made in Fulton, when the phrase "the iron curtain" was first heard.

How do you transport a church? First of all it has to die here in order to rise again there. Each separate stone is marked with its own code number, which is very similar to what Christians used to think was meant when Jesus said that "even the hairs of your head are all numbered". Christians used to believe that the resurrection of the body meant quite literally a reassembling of the infinite number of particles, and so God would need to have each one numbered in order to handle so complex a task.

Such a view no longer makes sense. In the first place, we have learned that our bodies do not consist of stable particles which stay with us from birth to death. They are constantly changing. Living cells grow, reach maturity and need to be replaced. Like snakes sloughing skins bits of us die in order to be renewed.

We have come to recognize that human beings are fashioned in such a way that they can live only in the atmospheric conditions that exist on earth, and it seems hardly likely that such a particular mixture exists elsewhere.

Very few people who reach real old age would want to come back with a body which had become a museum of aches and pains, stiffnesses and failing vision.

"They shall rise from the dead as the angels which are in heaven." Nobody ever thinks of angels as good solid substantial yeomen with gout.

The Archbishops' Commission on Doctrine in the Church of England summed it up in the words, "We ought to reject quite frankly the literalistic belief in a future resuscitation of the actual physical frame which is laid in the tomb".

Which is the more important question: "What is a body?" or "What is a body *for*?" My vote is very firmly for the latter. Therefore I am not as concerned about the reconstitution of my physical particles as I am about being able to do in the next life many of the things for which I used my body in this one.

In the first place, of all the people in the world, and of all the people who ever have been or ever will be, there is only one who has my genes, and my finger-prints: and I am he. One of the things a body is for is to identify each of us.

In the next life I do not want to be an anonymous, amorphous, uninteresting unit of spirituality lost in a great ocean of mystic being. I want to be me. I am not insisting on having heavenly finger-prints to identify me. But I took forward to having their equivalent in terms of function.

I have no idea what that equivalent will be like. I do not have any word for it. Consequently, like a bit of shorthand, I use the word "body" knowing that it is more an image than an actuality.

The only way I know of listening, tasting, feeling, seeing, smelling, enjoying all God's creation is through the appropriate bits of my body, and the only way I know in this world of expressing my appreciation of all those things is also through my body, perhaps choreographed in a wild dance of exhuberance, but more likely in stumbling and inadequate words.

There is a third reason why I want a body or its equivalent in the next world. It is because it is the only hardware of relationship that I know. Unless there is relationship in the next world there is not much point in going there.

I want a relationship with God, and I have been promised that however dim my view through the glass darkly is now, I shall then see face to face, just as lovers see face to face when they gaze into each other's eyes.

I am sure God has the whole thing well in hand. And I am sure that he knows how I shall be able to speak, hear and smell and as the Psalmist said, "taste and see how good the Lord is", so that the man who trusts in him is truly blessed.

Which suggests that I want to believe in the resurrection of the body and may be that is influencing my judgement on the matter. But one of the best documented events of the ancient world is that on the third day the tomb was empty. Something had happened to that body. The carcass that had been tortured by thorns and nails and death had subtly altered so that his friends at first did not recognize him.

But when they did recognize him they were back to the fullness of the relationship they had known with him before he set out to Calvary. All my thoughts and wishes about the after life must be grounded on his life after a human death. For only he could unlock the gate of heaven and let us in. All of which is why Christians are increasingly using a new name for themselves. "The Easter people".

**Dewi Morgan**
*former Rector of St Bride's, Fleet Street*

## Forthcoming marriages

**Mr G. M. Allum and Miss A. J. Fleming**
The engagement is announced between Geoffrey, elder son of Mr and Mrs Donald Allum, of Hampton Hill, Middlesex, and Amanda, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs John Fleming, of Beaconsfield, Buckinghamshire.

**Mr P. Barnett and Miss S. J. Townsend**
The engagement is announced between Peter, only son of Mr and Mrs A. L. Barnett, of Wimbledon, London, and Sally Jane, only daughter of Mr and Mrs D. B. Townsend, of Solihull, West Midlands.

**Mr D. G. Coyne and Miss A. L. Trusso**
The engagement is announced between David George, son of Colonel and Mrs Julian Coyne, of Colcherne Court, Redcliffe Gardens, London, SW5, and Annamaria Lavinia, daughter of Mr and Mrs Leo Trusso, of Casal Palocco, Rome.

**Mr C. D. Taylor and Miss C. G. Meechan**
The engagement is announced between Colin, elder son of Mr and Mrs C. Taylor, of Wothorpe Drift, Stamford, and Catherine, elder daughter of Mr and Mrs H. L. Meechan, of Great Easton, Leicestershire.

**Mr M. R. Hill and Miss P. Meakin**
The engagement is announced between Michael Roy Hill of Barnstaple, and Philippa Meakin, of Fremington, North Devon.

**Mr D. Smith and Miss J. A. North**
The engagement is announced between David, only son of Dr and Mrs Peter Smith, of Haxby, York, and Jane, only daughter of Dr and Mrs Peter North of Jesus College, Oxford.

**Mr R. M. Thomas and Mrs I. D. Murphy**
The engagement is announced of Mervyn (RM) Thomas, of Hengoed, and Iris Murphy of Southport, daughter of Mrs A. D. Watkins, Beechfield Avenue, Hengoed, Mid-Glamorgan.

**Mr S. J. Weighill and Miss A. V. Greig**
The engagement is announced between Simon, eldest son of Colonel and Mrs W. P. Weighill, of Salisbury, Wiltshire, and Alison, younger daughter of the late Captain J. R. Greig and of Mrs K. Greig, of Enford, Wiltshire.

## Marriage

**Sir Hugh Lockhart-Mummery and Mrs J. Hoare**
Sir Hugh (Lyn) Lockhart-Mummery, of 5 Hereford Square, London, SW7, and Mrs Jean Hoare, of Goose Green, Overton, Hampshire, were married quietly on March 9, 1985.

# £218,018 for 'Ribera' confounds estimate

**By Geraldine Norman**
**Sale Room Correspondent**

A painting of a beggar with an onion, garlic and orange blossom entitled "The Sense of Smell", which had been catalogued by Christie's in New York as from the "School of Ribera" and estimated to fetch $5,000 to $7,000, was sold for $242,000, or £218,018, on Thursday.

Richard Feigen, the New York dealer, who bought it, said yesterday:

"I was not alone in thinking it was by Ribera himself; that was the consensus". He described the picture as "one of the real masterpieces to turn up in recent years." The underbidder was Mr Stanley Moss, a New York dealer who specializes in Spanish painting.

José Ribera, the Spanish realist and follower of Caravaggio, painted a series of "the Five Senses" in Rome in about 1615-16, which are known from copies. Three other paintings, believed to be originals, are in North American collections. Mr Feigen believes he has found the fourth. That leaves only "The Sense of Hearing" on the missing list.

Christie's sale of modern British paintings in London yesterday scored a rash of new highs for lesser known artists. The sale totalled £1,000,360 with 9 per cent left unsold.

Decorative turn-of-the-century paintings were among the chief surprises. A cottage interior with a pretty mother decorating her hat for Queen Victoria's Jubilee celebrations in 1887 by a minor Newlyn School artist, Frank Wright Bourdillon, set a record for his work at £43,200 (estimate £30,000).

Irish impressionism met with unexpected popularity with two village scenes by Richard Thomas Moynan, peopled with appealing children, selling far above estimate.



**Detail from Frank Wright Bourdillon's "Jubilee Hat", which fetched a record £43,200 at Christie's.**

"An Invitation to go Haymaking" made £21,600 (estimate £8,000 to £12,000), a new auction price record for the artist, and "The Game of Marbles" made £19,440 (estimate £8,000 to £12,000). Both pictures were bought by Agnew's, the London dealers.

The impact of the present St Ives exhibition at the Tate could be seen in "The Blue Necklace", a nude study by Christopher Wood, which went to Harinoll for £17,280 (estimate £5,000 to £8,000). Even minor British Surrealists were in demand, with "Atomic Flower", of 1939-40, by Humphrey Spender, selling for £1,728 (estimate £600 to £900) to the Mayor Gallery.

The old favourites also made good prices: Sir Alfred Munnings's "Study of a Start", of about 1950, sold for £81,000 (estimate £60,000 to £90,000).

# OBITUARY

## MR F. A. I. MUNTZ

### Influential part in development of British aviation

Mr Alan Muntz, FRAeS, who died on March 7, was the co-founder, in 1928, of Airwork Limited, formed with Sir Nigel Norman to construct and develop Heston Aerodrome and, subsequently, to become a forceful and respected influence on many aspects of British aviation.

Frederick Alan Irving Muntz was born at Leek, North Staffs, on June 7, 1899. With Nigel Norman he was educated at Winchester and Trinity College, Cambridge, where both read the Mechanical Sciences Tripos. They were commissioned from Cambridge into the Royal Engineers and saw service in France.

On demobilisation, Muntz first joined BP and then the Anglo-Iranian Oil Company and, in 1927, learned to fly at Brooklands with the Henderson School of Flying.

In 1928, Norman and Muntz teamed up again to bring to British aviation a new and attractive concept, Heston Air Park, formed out of cabbage fields off the Great West Road in Middlesex.

Between 1929 and 1939, Airwork Limited – with Nigel Norman's flair for innovation and Alan Muntz's talent for commercial enterprise – built up Heston initially to provide everything that the private flier could want – from aircraft sales and servicing and lock-up garages for the private owner, to the Airwork School of Flying under Valentine Baker and John Parkes. The whole complex was centred upon elegant buildings, with comfortable over-night accomodation.

Under Norman as chairman and Muntz as managing director, Heston quickly came to be regarded as one of the best-run aerodromes in the country, with a relaxed but professional atmosphere allied to a social focus, forming one of the most fashionable, out-of-town resorts of the day.

Muntz's business abilities led him to extend Airwork's activities, in 1932 to found Misr Airwork SAE in Cairo and, in 1933, with Grant Govan, to inspire the setting up of Indian National Airways in Delhi.

Heston, under Airwork's continued management, was acquired by the Air Ministry in November 1937, eventually to replace Croydon as an airport for commercial air services. On the outbreak of the Second World War it became a base for photographic reconnaissance and, then, a centre of military air transport.

With the death of Sir Nigel Norman in an aircraft accident in 1943, responsibility for Airwork's extensive war work came largely to rest with Muntz, strongly supported by the future Sir Myles Wyatt, who had joined Airwork in 1934. By the end of the war, the company was responsible for the operation of Gatwick and Blackbushe airports in Surrey, Langley and Booker aerodromes in Buckinghamshire, Hurn in Hampshire, Perth in Scotland and RNAS St David's in Pembrokeshire.

Subsequently, Airwork formed British United Airways with Wyatt as chairman and managing director – one of the constituents which came to form British Caledonian Airways in 1970.

Muntz had further widened his interests in industry from 1937 in Alan Muntz and Company Limited, set up to develop the Pescara free-piston engine, and, from 1954, as chairman of Baynes Aircraft Interiors Limited, with L. E. Baynes, specializing in aircraft furnishings.

With his engaging personality and his sound, energetic, but quiet, approach to a wide range of interest Muntz had a significant, behind-the-scenes influence on much of British aviation.

He was married three times. He is survived by his wife, Marjorie, by whom he had a daughter, and by two daughters of the first marriage. His only son was killed flying a Meteor jet shortly after the last war.

## NORMAN WILSON

Norman Wilson who died on March 6 at the age of 82 at Llanstephan, Dyfed, was a potter who made some innovatory contributions to the development of the 20th century ceramics industry in this country.

Wilson became works manager at the Etruria Works of Josiah Wedgwood & Son Ltd in 1927, production director in 1946 and joint managing director in 1961. He retired from the firm in 1963.

He was in addition to being a distinguished potter, a designer and inventor. He was responsible for the introduction of some of the first gas-fired and oil tunnel-kilns in the potteries. He made a major contribution with the Hon Josiah Wedgwood and Clement Tom Wedgwood in the move of the Wedgwood factory from the Etruria works to Barlaston in 1938.

He also made considerable contributions to design and glazes, many of his works now being regarded as collector's pieces.

He served as lieutenant-colonel in the Royal Artillery in the last war.

As Production Director at Wedgwood's he was responsible for a team of young and talented managers upon which the future of the company depended.

## MR DUDLEY OFFORD

Mr Dudley Offord, FRSE, who died on February 11 at the age of 92, devoted most of his career in the Admiralty to the protection of warships against enemy weapons.

He completed his training as a Naval Constructor at the outbreak of the First World War and after service at sea with the Grand Fleet established his reputation with his contribution to the salvage of the *Vindictive* and other blockships at Zeebrugge and Ostend. He received the commendation of the Board of Admiralty for this work.

By the mid 1930s he was in charge of the armour section and also dealt with protection against torpedoes. Treaty restrictions and lack of funds limited what could be achieved but the way in which battle ships stood up to damage demonstrated his skill.

Due to his efforts, the Naval Construction Research Establishment was set up at Rosyth in 1943 with Offord as its first Superintendent. His work broadened to include the overall structural design of ships and submarines as well as their protection. The international reputation of ARE, Dunfermline, as the establishment is now known, owes much to Offord's early leadership.

This work was recognised in 1950 when he was elected a Fellow of the Royal Society of Edinburgh. He retired in 1955.

**Mr Paul Molyneux**, who died on February 2, had been for 11 years a partner of Binnie & Partners, the consulting engineers, responsible for work in Hong Kong and in French-speaking Africa.

*Correction*

In yesterday's obituary Mr Alan Barber should have been described as a notable Oxford, not Cambridge, University games player.

**Dr Philip Harvey**, who died on March 13 at the age of 59, was a member of the main board of ICI, with responsibility for petrochemicals and plastics, activities in eastern Europe and ICI Europa.

**Major Washington Hibbert**, former Clerk of the Course at Hereford and Ludlow and, later on, Wincanton and Salisbury, died on March 11.

## Service dinners

**37th Special Entry, Royal Navy**
The 37th Special Entry celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their entry into the Royal Navy at a reunion dinner held in HMS Excellent, Whale Island, Portsmouth, last night. Rear-Admiral O. H. M. St J. Steiner presided.

**Tyne Division RNR**
The annual Samoa dinner was held in Newcastle upon Tyne last night to commemorate the escape of HMS Calliope from the hurricane in Apra Harbour, Samoa, on March 16, 1889. The principle guests were the First Sea Lord, Admiral Sir John Fieldhouse and Colonel Sir Ralph Carr-Ellison, Lord Lieutenant of Tyne and Wear. Commander D. Gibson, RNR, presided.

**The Essex Regiment**
The annual dinner of the dining club of officers of the 4th and 5th Battalions, The Essex Regiment (TA) was held last night at the Officers' Mess, 2nd Battalion The Royal Anglian Regiment, Colchester. Major-General D. A. Beckett presided and the guests included Captain P. B. Lake, High Sheriff of Essex, and Major General K. Burch.

**51st (Highland) Division**
The London reunion dinner of the 51st (Highland) Division Dinner Club took place at the Army and Navy Club yesterday under the chairmanship of General Sir Peter Hunt. The guest of honour was the Very Rev Dr J. Fraser McLuskey, Minister of St Columba's.

**University of Wales Air Squadron**
The annual dinner of the University of Wales Air Squadron was held last night at RAF St Athan. Air Marshal Sir Donald Hall, Deputy Chief of the Defence Staff (Systems), was the guest of honour. The Commanding Officer, Squadron Leader A. L. Hooper, Professor G. R. Sagar, Vice-Principal of the University College of North Wales, Bangor, and Mr I. R. Jones also spoke.

## Memorial service

Sir Arthur Bryant, CH
Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother was represented by Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Martin Gilliat at a service of thanksgiving for Sir Arthur Bryant, CH, held in Westminster Abbey yesterday. The Dean officiated, assisted by the Rev Alan Luff, Precentor and Sacrist, Canon Sebastian Charles, and Canon Ian Dunlop, Chancellor of Salisbury Cathedral. Mr Ian Chapman, Chairman of William Collins, and Mr J. D. Beer, Headmaster of Harrow School, read the lessons. Sir John Gielgud, CH, read from Sir Arthur's works and Lord Blake, Provost of The Queen's College, Oxford, gave an address. The Twelve of Harrow School sang a school song. The Bishop of Sherborne, the Right Rev E. G. Knapp-Fisher, the Right Rev V. J. Pike and the Rev Michael Thompson were robed and in the sacrarium. The Lord Chancellor was present and the Prime Minister was represented by Mr Denis Thatcher. The Speaker and the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress of Westminster attended and others present included:

Mr and Mrs Daniel Bardsley, Miss Pamela Street, Mr and Mrs Martin Davies, Mr James Brooke, Mr and Mrs Lionel Brooke, Dr and Mrs O'Grady, Miss Sarah Evans, Captain and Mrs Ross Stewart, Mr and Mrs Gilchrist Fisher, Lady Bryant.

Laura Duchess of Marlborough, the Earl of Selkirk, QC, and the Countess of Selkirk, the Dowager Viscountess Davidson, Field Marshal Lord Harding of Petherton, Lord Greenhill of Harrow, Lady Blake, Lord O'Brien of Lothbury, Lord and Lady Denning, Lord and Lady Teynham, Lord Duncan-Sandys, CH, and Lady Duncan-Sandys, Lady Greenway, Mr Michael Fool, MP, Mr Francis Pym, MP, the Hon William and Mrs Ward, the Hon David Roper-Curzon, Sir Geoffrey Shakerley, Sir Ralph and Lady Verney, Sir Julian and Lady Bagot, Major General Sir Allan Adair, Sir Richard and Lady Baker, Wilbraham, Sir Thomas and Lady Butler, Sir Edward Pickering (vice-chairman, Times Newspapers) with Mr Frank Giles (a director), Sir Denis and Lady Hamilton, Air Chief Marshal Sir Alasdair Steedman (RAF Benevolent Fund), Dame Anne Bryans (Order of St John of Jerusalem and the British Red Cross Society), Sir Rex Niven (Imperial Society of Knights Bachelor) and Lady Niven, Sir Godfrey Morley, Air Chief Marshal Sir Kenneth Cross, Sir Basil Nield, Lady Hawkins, General Sir John Mogg, Sir John and Lady Margaret Griffin, Mr Maurice Exley, Lady Fraser, Lady Collins, Sir Patrick Dean, Sir Seymour Egerton, General Sir David and Lady Fraser, Sir Edward Ford, Sir John Biggs-Davison, MP, Admiral Sir Simon Cassels (Chief of Naval Personnel and Second Sea Lord), Lady Fyffe, Mr Graham Greene, CH, Mr Peter Ford, Mr R Baltz, Miss Christina Foyle, Mr W. A. Beaumont, Mrs I D Beer, Mr and Mrs J Bishop, Mr A Berry, Mr and Mrs John Profumo, Mr and Mrs H V Hodson, Mr M Le Fanu, Mr and Mrs T Joy, Mrs Barbara Cartland.

Mr Ian McCorquodale, Mrs Ian Chapman, Mr and Mrs J Cordle, Mr Francis Fortly, Mr Paul Freeman, Mr Peter Foster, Rear Admiral E F Guerin (Society for Nautical Research and Royal United Services Institute) and Mrs Guerin, Mr and Mrs John Murray, Major-General C A R Nevill, Mr Nicholas Phillips, Mr and Mrs A Patterson, Miss Patricia Rawlings, the Master and Clerk of the Leathersellers' Company and representatives of the London Swinton Circle, the Pen and Pencil Club, the Penn Club.

## Birthdays

TODAY: Sir Ralph Campbell, 79; Sir Richard Cave, 65; Sir Patrick Dean, 76; Lord De Ramsey, 75; the Rev Hugo de Wall, 50; Sir Philip Foreman, 62; Air Chief Marshal Sir Christopher Foxley-Norris, 68; Sir Ewart Jones, 74; Dr A. J. P. Kenny 54; the Most Rev Dr N. A Lesser, 83; Mr Leo McKern, 65; Miss Kate Nelligan, 34; Dr Charles Newman, 85; Mr R. G. Puttick, 69; Miss Lucie Rie, 83.

TOMORROW: Sir Donald Barron, 64; Lady (Megan) Bull, 63; Mr Douglas Byng, 92; Miss Lesley-Ann Down, 31; Vice-Admiral Sir Donald Gibson, 69; Major-General Sir Edmund Hakewill Smith, 89; the Rev J. P. Haldane-Stevenson, 75; Sir Arthur Hockaday, 59; Baroness Hornsby-Smith, 71; Lieutenant-Colonel Sir Edmond Joly de Lotbinière, 82; Mr Robin Knox-Johnston, 46; the Earl of Lauderdale, 74; Professor John Lill, 41; Mrs Penelope Lively, 52; Mr Rudolf Nureyev, 46; Sir Patrick Reilly, 76; Dr Raymond Rickett, 58; Sir Patrick Sergeant, 61; Dr David Stafford-Clark, 69.

The Duke of Gloucester, patron, will attend the annual conference of the Council for Education in World Citizenship at London University on March 27.

## Luncheons

**HM Government**
Lady Howe was host at a luncheon held at 1 Carlton Gardens yesterday in honour of Mrs Mubarak.

**Inter-Parliamentary Union**
The President of Egypt was the guest of honour at a luncheon given by the British group of the Inter-Parliamentary Union at Claridge's Hotel yesterday. Mr David Crouch, MP, was the host. Among those present were:

The Egyptian Ambassador, Dr Ahmed Esmat Abdel Meguid, Mr Mohamed Safwat El Sherif, Dr Kamal Ahmed Al Ganzoury, Mr Ahmed Raouff Assad, Mr Gamal El Din Abdel Aziz, Mr Robert Adley, MP, Sir Frederic Bennett, MP, Mr James Callaghan, MP, Mr Stephen Egerton, Mr Andrew Faulds, MP, the Hon Greville Janner, QC, MP, Sir Anthony Kershaw, MP, Mr Tony Marlow, MP, Lord Mayhew, Mr Anthony Nelson, MP, the Earl of Onslow, Sir John Page, MP, Mr Robert Parry, MP, Mr Francis Pym, MP, Mr Keith Speed, MP, Lord Stamp, Mr Ivor Stanbrook, MP, Sir Alan Lilley, and Mr Dennis Walters, MP.

**Royal Over-Seas League**
Mr Justice and Lady Park were the principal guests of the chairman, committee and members of the Penzance and St Ives branch of the Royal Over-Seas League at their annual luncheon held at the Queen's Hotel, Penzance, yesterday. Mr R. F. Drewitt presided.

## Dinners

**Papal Knights in Great Britain**
The Archbishop of Glasgow, was the celebrant at the annual celebration in honour of St Gregory the Great and St Sylvester at the Church of Our Lady of the Assumption and St Gregory, Warwick Street, yesterday evening. A dinner was held afterwards at the Café Royal. Mr Bernard Flood was in the chair and others present included the Apostolic Pro-Nuncio, the Earl of Longford, Lord Forte, Sir Geoffrey Hulton and Sir Harold Hood.

**Mayoress of Windsor and Maidenhead**
The Mayor and Mayoress of Windsor and Maidenhead were hosts at the mayor's dinner and ball which was held last night at the Castle Hotel, Windsor. The speakers were the Mayor, Marshal of the Royal Air Force Sir John Grandy, and the High Sheriff of Berkshire.

**Old Lerpoolian Society**
The annual dinner of the London branch of the Old Lerpoolian Society was held at the Medical Society of London last night.

**Old Crosbeians**
Mr E. B. Ferguson, President of the Old Crosbeians, was in the chair at the annual London dinner held at Lord's Cricket Ground last night. The other speakers were Mr J. R. Owens, Mr D. R. Johnston-Jones, Headmaster of Merchant Taylors' School, Crosby, and Mr J. Iveson.

## Science report

# Alcohol and the Third World

**By Thomson Prentice, Science Correspondent**

Rapidly increasing consumption of alcohol in many developing countries is creating such severe public health and social problems that urgent action is needed, according to a new study by the World Health Organization (WHO).

Medical hazards range from stomach ulcers to brain damage, liver cirrhosis to alcoholic psychosis. Social and legal hazards range from increases in crime to family and marital troubles.

Spectacular growth in beer production and consumption has occurred in some low-income countries. In Cameroon, for example, it has soared from five litres a head in 1960 to 35 litres in 1981. If the rate of increase is sustained for a further six years, Cameroon's beer consumption will match that now recorded in Britain.

"In view of the gravity of alcohol-related problems in the United Kingdom and the contribution made by beer consumption to them, the implications for public health in several developing countries cannot be ignored," the WHO report of the study says. (The cost of alcohol abuse to the NHS has been put at £96 million a year, with 8 million working days lost to industry).

Other examples of increased beer consumption include the Congo, where it has leapt from 4 litres a head in 1960 to over 42 litres in 1981; in Gabon from 12 to 135 litres; in Paraguay from 3 to 24 litres; and in the Dominican Rebublic from 3 to 17 litres.

Easy access to the technology of brewing distilling and wine production would mean alcoholic drinks becoming increasingly available world-wide.

At present, about two-thirds of the world's alcohol output is produced in Europe, the United States and Canada. But it is likely that new centres of beer and spirits production will emerge.

The report says the international agencies should improve the quality of data and give relevant information to those involved in health planning and development.

It says that there need not be a conflict between the interests of public health and economic development, although it acknowledges the benefits, through tax revenue and employment, of alcohol production and consumption.

The demands of health and economic development could be met by a comprehensive alcohol policy covering prevention, education, treatment and management in individual countries.

"WHO can work with such countries to support them in their efforts to develop such policies", the report says, adding that other organizations can work together to provide countries with support and advice.

*Public Health Implications of Alcohol Production and Trade* (World Health Organization, Geneva, 8 Swiss Francs).

## Services tomorrow: Fourth Sunday in Lent

ST PAUL'S CATHEDRAL: HC, 8 M, 10.30, Jub, TD, Collegium Regale (Howells), Lord Bishop of London; HC, 11.30, Missa Brevis (K194) (Mozart), Int, Ave verum (Mozart), L, 3.15, Mag and Nunc Dimittis, Service for Trebles (Weelkes), A, Like as the hart (Howells), Psalm Res, K Wellicombe, WESTMINSTER ABBEY: HC, 8, M, 10.30, Britten in C, Ubi Caritas (Durufle), Rev S. Charles, HC, 11.40, E, S, Blow in G, Salvator mundi (Blow), Rev Dr P Leung; organ recital, 5.55; ES, 6.30, Rev A Luff, SOUTHWARK CATHEDRAL: HC, 9; Eucharist, 11, Mass in G, (Schubert), A, Haec Dies (Byrd), The Roxy Sequence (Rainsong), Canon Patterson, S, Surrexit in G, A, Gabriel Lord of Lords (Gibbons), Rev D Adlington, WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL: Mass, 10.30, Missa 'Exsurge bone' (Tye), Christ Jesu, pastor bone (Tavener), Verba mea (Schutz), Vespers, 3.30, Magnificat prima toni (Palestrina), Jesu dulcis memoria (Bering).

CHAPEL ROYAL OF ST JAMES'S PALACE: HC, 8.30, MP, 11.15, A, My heart is fixed (Hadley), Canon C M Ruston, QUEEN'S CHAPEL OF THE SAVOY (public welcomed): M, 11.15, Benedicite, Purcell in G, A, The Lord is my Shepherd (Stanford), The Chaplain; HC, 12.30, ROYAL NAVAL COLLEGE CHAPEL, Greenwich (public welcomed), HC, 8.30, 12, MP, 11, introit, Cast thy Burden (Mendelssohn), A, My Soul, There is a Country (Parry), preacher, the Chaplain, GUARDS CHAPEL, Wellington Barracks; M, 11, Rex R W Stevens; HC, noon.

LINCOLN'S INN CHAPEL (public invited, entry via Lincoln's Inn Gateway); MP and Sermon, 11, Benedictus, A, Tomorrow shall be my Dancing Day (Gardner), Dean of Westminster.

HM TOWER OF LONDON (public welcomed), HC, 9.15; M, 11, Ben, Windsor Service (Howells), A, Turn the face from my sins (Locke), the Chaplain.

TEMPLE CHURCH, Fleet Street (public welcomed); HC, 8.30; MP, 11.15, O most merciful (Wood), Benedictus (Walford-Davis in G), A, Cast me not away (S. S. Wesley), Rev Dr M Lamford; Oman Voluntary.

ST CLEMENT DANES (RAF Church) (public welcomed); HC, 9.30; M, 11, HC, 12.15, the Chaplain.

CHAPEL ROYAL, Hampton Court Palace; HC, 8.30, M, 11, Nasce in 8 minor; A, Farj went with the multitude (Aston); Rev R Rest im, we wait for thy loving kindness (Nickel), Harwood in A Flat, 4, Let the bright Seraphim (Handel).

ALL HALLOWS BY THE TOWER: Sung Eucharist, 11, Deaconess Ricketts.
ALL SOULS, Langham Place: HC, 9.30; Mothering Sunday Family Service, 11, Rev A Cornes, service with informal music, 6.30, Rev M Lawson.
ALL SAINTS, Margaret Street: LM, 8 and 9.15; M, 10.20; HM, 11, Rev C Hind, Missa Brevis in B Flat, K275 (Mozart).
CHELSEA OLD CHURCH: HC, 8 and noon; Children's service, 10; M, 11; Rev J Cross; E, 6, D N Royce.
ST LUKE'S, Sydney Street: HC, 8 and 12.15; Sung Eucharist, 10.30, Rev N Welt; E, 6.30, Rev R Morais.
GROSVENOR CHAPEL, South Audley Street: HC, 8.15; HM, 11, Missa Sancti Nicolai (Haydn), Salvator Mundi (Blow), Rev J Satterthwaite.
HOLY TRINITY, Bromption: HC, 8; HC sung, 9; M, 11, Canon Keith de Berry; ES, 6.30, Rev J Miller.
HOLY TRINITY, Prince Consort Road: HC, 8.30 and 12.05, choral morning prayer, 11, Rev W M Jacob.
HOLY TRINITY, Sloane Street: HC, 8.30; Eucharist, 10.30, Canon Roberts, HC, 12.10.
ST ALBAN'S, Holborn, SM, 9.30, HM, 11, Fr Gaskell; Missa Orgelmesse (Haydn); Turn thee unto me (Boyce); LM, 8.30.
ST BARTHOLEMEW-THE-GREAT: HC, 9; M and HC, 11, Berrecidite (Wishart); A, Salve Regina (Poulenc); E and HC, 6.30; plainsong and FB (Healey Willan); A, Vinea mea electa (Poulenc), the Rector.
ST BRIDES, FLEET STREET: HC, 8.30; Choral M and Eucharist, Mothering Sunday, Benedictus (Jackson in C), Kyries (Noble in B minor), Canon Oates; choral E, 6.30, Spirit of Holiness (Maynard), Sung Psalms of Tallis, Dorian Mode; A, O Lord God of Hosts (Purcell), organ (Peskett, Choral Book), Rev C Lovegrove.
ST CEDRIC'S, HANOVER SQUARE: HC, 8.30; Sung Eucharist, 11; Ireland in C, Ave verum (Elgar), the Rector.
ST CYPRIAN'S, CLARENCE GATE, NW1: TMB, M, 10.30; HM, 11; Rev C. R. Hardley, ST JAMES'S, PICCADILLY: HC, 8.30; Sung Eucharist, 11; EP, 6.
ST MARGARET'S, WESTMINSTER: HC, 8.15; Choral M and Sermon, 11; Canon Beeson, HC, 12.15.
ST MARTIN-IN-THE-FIELDS: HC, 8; Family Communion, 9.45, Rev F. Stevens; Ms, 11.30, Norman Ingram-Smith; HC, 12.30, Chinese Service, 3; Choral E, 4.15; ES, 6.30, Rev P Adams.
ST MARY ABBOTS, Kensington: HC, 8 and 8.30; Sung Eucharist, 9.30, the clear; M, 11.15; E, 6.30, Rev P M Arnold.
ST MARY'S, Bourne Street: LM, 9, 9.45 and 7; HM, 11, Missa Cum Jubilo (Dumont), Salvator Mundi (Blow); Remember, O Lord (Purcell); Ave Maria (Victoria); Toccata and Fugue (at), J S Bach, Bishop Knapp-Fisher; E and Solemn Benediction, 6.15.
ST MARYLEBONE Parish Church; HC, 8 and 11, Rev R McLaren; Mass in E minor (Bruckner); Stave lobe Gospodi (Rachmaninov), 6.30, Rev C K Hamel-Cooke.
ST MICHAEL'S, Chester Square: HC, 8.15 and 11; M, Nevill; EP, 6.30, Rev J A Mumford.
ST PAUL'S, Wilton Place, Knightsbridge: HC, 8 and 9, Solemn Eucharist, 11; Collegium Regale (Herbert Howells), Magnificat (Gloucester service (Herbert Howells), Jay Secan (and an) Stephen Cleobury), Rev R G Russell.
ST PAUL'S, Robert Adam Street: HC, 11; Rev Dr M Rushton, 6.30.
ST PETER'S, Eaton Square: HC, 8.15; Family Mass, 10, Soleman mass, 11; Communion Service in F (Sumsion); A, Lord, let me know mine end (Greene).
ST SIMON ZELOTES, Chelsea: HC, 8; Parish Communion, 11; EP, 6.30; Rev OR Clarke.
STEPHEN'S, Gloucester Road: LM, 8 and 9; HM, 11; Communion Service in A minor (Harold Drake), Rev Dr P Butler; Stations of the Cross and Benediction, 6.30.
ST VEDAST, Foster Lane; SM, 11; Missa Regina Pacis (Peeters), Like as we do put our trust (Wesley).
ST COLUMBA'S (Church of Scotland) Pont Street: 11 and 6.30, Rev Dr J Fraser McLuskey.
ST ANNE AND ST AGNES, (Lutheran), Gresham Street; HC, 11 (inquiries: 01-769 2677).
THE ORATORY, SW7; LM, 7, 8, 9, and 10; HM, 11, Missa Brevis (Britten), Laetare Jerusalem (Widdas); LM, 12.30, 4.30 and 7; Vespers, 3.30; Ave Verum (Elgar).
ST ANSELM AND CECILIA, Kingsway; SM, 11; Mass of St Patrick (Vaughan); Parce Iam Parce (Carissimi).
ST ETHELREDA'S, Ely Place (Holborn Circus); SM, 11; Missa Tempore Quadragesimae (Haydn); Ave Verum (Aggett).
THE ASSUMPTION, Warwick St, LM, 8 and 10; SM, 11; Mass in B Flat K 275, (Mozart); Salvador Mundi (Blow); Lamentations, Creed (Tallis); LM, noon, 4 and 6.
CHURCH OF OUR LADY, St John's Wood; SM (Latin), 10.45.
GOOD SHEPHERD CHURCH (Old Roman Catholic), Moscow Road, Penge East; Tridentine Mass, 10.
THE JESUIT CHURCH, Farm Street; 7.30, 8.30, 10, 11 (sung Latin Mass).
REGENT SQUARE Presbyterian Church (United Reformed), Organist and Choirmaster, Peter Wright; Communion

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# CHOCOLATE

## The Magnificent Obsession

"You see before you the result of a lifetime of chocolate", a film star declared to an interviewer. Not, as one might suspect, Elizabeth Taylor, but the svelte Katharine Hepburn. As a nation which last year guzzled its way through 725,000 tons of confectionery, 70 per cent of which was chocolate, most of us could probably confess to the same thing, especially as Easter approaches.

Last year, sales of chocolate eggs alone hit 100 million: chocolate sales are bigger than bread (£1,500m), twice the combined size of coffee and tea (£750m) and nearly four times that of breakfast cereals. Our greed for the stuff is exceeded only by the Swiss, the West Germans and the Americans.

Chocolate is the nation's consuming passion, its single gustatory obsession. A host of powers are attributed to it, from the psychopathic to the aphrodisiac. There are those whose idea of bliss would be to dangle over a tank of gently steaming Suchard; and those who behave as if you had offered them a dangerous drug when sharing a square of Cadbury's Fruit and Nut. For the former there exist not only the usual range of bars, bouchées, pralines and truffles but chocolate visiting-cards, tennis balls and laxatives.

The cacao plant from which chocolate is made has been around for over 4,000 years. The Aztecs and Mayans who cultivated it used the bean not only to make a ceremonial drink, xocoatl or "bitter water", but as a form of currency. According to the 19th-century historian H. H. Bancroft, a pumpkin cost about 4 cacao nibs, a woman 10 and a "tolerably good" slave 100.

Columbus first brought the cacao bean to Europe on his fourth voyage in 1502, but failed to excite the interest of the Spanish court. This was probably because the somewhat glum Indians mixed the crushed and roasted bean with herbs and pepper, not sugar. It fell to Cortez and his cortège to domesticate xocoatl after having been given the royal drink by Montezuma, king of the Aztecs.

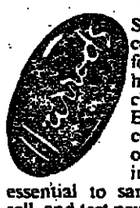
"The Indian nectar" remained a closely guarded secret of aristocratic Spain until the marriage of Princess Maria Teresa to Louis XIV in 1660. Courtiers crunched comfits of dragées, the originals of Smarties, and the Queen consoled herself for her husband's infidelities by becoming a tub of blubber.

Nowhere was "chocolata" (Stubbes 1662) or "jocolatte" (Pepys 1664) as popular as in England. In 1657 a Frenchman opened the first chocolate house in Bishopsgate, and many subsequent chocolate houses became fashionable clubs, the most famous of which is White's. Eating chocolate was invented by an Englishman, Joseph Storrs Fry, in 1847, by combining cocoa butter with chocolate liquor and sugar to produce what is still loved today.

With their zeal for temperance, Quakers turned to the distribution and manufacture of chocolate in 1824. As a cheap drink it became popular with the working classes; however, eating chocolate remained a luxury for the wealthy. "Think of chocolates, and taxis, and gold, and diamonds". Professor Higgins tells Eliza when outlining the benefits of elocution lessons in *Pygmalion*. Hershey in America were the first to mechanize production, but Rowntree and Cadbury's soon followed suit. The British sweet tooth has never lost its bite since then.




## Dream job for a chocoholic



Sandy Collier, the confectionery buyer for Harrods, must have the job of chocophiles' dreams. Every day, she has to consume at least 1lb of the best chocolates in the world. "It's essential to sample everything we sell, and test new products that come on to the market. Luckily, I have a very sweet tooth."

Remarkably, she bears no resemblance whatsoever to a barrage balloon, being a mere size 12. "I think that when the ingredients are as good as ours you don't tend to put on very much weight", she says, oblivious to the gargantuan harridans swarming all over the Prestat counter, demanding three plastic bags for every stick of toffee brittle.

"Every nationality has a different taste in chocolate. The Continentals prefer their own – Belgian pralines, such as Gartner and Leonidas, which have a variety of fresh cream fillings, go down particularly well. Americans love Prestat's truffles, which are made by hand and have fillings of rum, brandy and champagne. Our Middle Eastern clients buy trays of Neus Haus, made for the sweeter palate and individually wrapped in fabulous Italian foils, which range from £80 to £1,500 a tray. When they are having a party they'll order up to 30 a time.

"The English taste in chocolate is quite different. We tend to buy less pretty sweets with hard centres like nougat and caramel, or else rose and violet fillings, which no other nationality touches.

"A more sophisticated palate always prefers dark chocolate to milk – 70 per cent of our sales are dark chocolate, which reverses the trend for the rest of England."

Is there such a thing as a chocoholic? Miss Collier smiles knowingly. "Oh, yes. You only have to work here a week before you start seeing the same faces coming in day after day for their fix."

Although the specialist chocolate market is only just beginning to "explode", as Ms Collier puts it, it already accounts for 10 per cent of food sales. A quarter of all chocolate sales take place before Easter.

## For tomorrow we diet . . .




It is well known that chocolate is an excellent source of quick energy. It is less well known that it contains protein, fat, carbohydrate, calcium, phosphorus, iron, sodium, potassium, vitamin A, thiamine, riboflavin and niacin; and that it may one day become part of astronauts' diets.

Dr Joan Hazzan is a pharmacologist for NASA investigating the effects of weightlessness on astronauts. She is also a chocophile who has invented the sugar-free truffle which is apparently indistinguishable from the real thing.

"Astronauts have to be extremely careful about what they eat, because weightlessness can affect your hormone regulation", she says. "At the moment astronauts have to be careful even drinking coffee, and we think vanilla in chocolate could also upset the metabolism. However, as the shuttle programme gets underway, diets in space will become increasingly liberal; and certainly the sugar-free truffle is ideal for anyone with a sweet tooth whose sugar intake is limited."

The Hazzan truffles – which include a number of unusual fillings such as Cointreau, Irish Coffee and Amaretto – are the result of a course in chocolate technology run by an ex-Cadbury's employee in California.

"Unfortunately, I don't think the sugar-free truffles will actually help you lose weight", Dr Hazzan informed me regretfully. "However, they might stop you putting on weight quite as fast as you would with the ordinary kind."

All those who wish to conduct their own research – purely for scientific purposes, of course – should apply to "Geffroi" on Winchmore Hill, which is run by Dr Hazzan's husband.

## A little of what you fancy



Is chocolate an aphrodisiac? Two of the world's most famous lovers, Casanova and Madame du Barry, believed it was; and chocolate was an ingredient in the notorious 18th-century stimulant, Spanish Fly.

Unfortunately, for the man who risks all to bring his lady a box of Milk Tray, recent research has shown that chocolate may be more efficacious as a cure for the thwarted – as opposed to the frigid – lover. Chocolate contains a chemical called phenylethylamine, also found in the human brain, which is a natural version of amphetamine. The wild fluctuations of emotion well known to those in love are directly related to the amounts of the chemical present in the body.

Those suffering from unrequited love do well to eat chocolate, as it contains more phenylethylamine than any other food and can counter the hysteroid dysphoria or severe depression caused by their state.

Those who find it impossible to stop bingeing on chocolate might consider the services of a behavioural therapist. One such is Dr Bill Mitchell. Although more commonly employed in curing phobias than creating aversions, he was extremely successful in curing a colleague of chocoholism. Whenever she felt like eating a Mars Bar she had to have 10, and she was not allowed to throw the wrappers away.

"The first day was marvellous", one patient recalled. "I'd never really gorged myself on chocolate to the full limit of my capacity. As a child I had always been given it as a reward; so when I grew up and could buy it myself I couldn't help feeling I deserved it whenever something went wrong. However, eating 10 times the amount I wanted made me feel very ill very quickly, and the embarrassment of having my office littered with wrappers was frightful. As I had clients coming in to see me I was allowed to keep them banked up behind my desk, but after a week I could hardly move without sinister rustlings. I haven't touched chocolate since."

## The great egg case



Cadburys introduced the first chocolate Easter Egg to England in 1875, and now produce a range of 22 variations. Top of the market is their Creme Egg, a sickeningly sweet ovoid of milk chocolate filled with fondant, dominating 87 per cent of the sector.

"You can take almost any goo that people wouldn't normally dream of eating, and as long as you encase it in chocolate they'll love it", said Stephen Ward, Cadbury's Marketing Director. "Chocolate has taste-appeal like no other food; it transforms even the most gungy sweet into something inventive."

Not, he hastened to add, that this was the sort of approach they had. "People think our chocolate tastes sweeter than it did in their childhood, but this is only due to having a more developed palate. Our recipe is exactly the same as it was before the process was mechanized."

## The Times Top of the Chocs Competition



*The Times* is offering a selection of prizes that will make any chocoholic's mouth water. The winner will receive a special *Times* bicentenary casket of nougat and chocolate containing 200 of Thornton's Continental assortment and a marzipan scroll attesting to the winner's magnificent obsession! The two runners-up will win marzipan scrolls inscribed with their names and surrounded by two rows of chocolates.

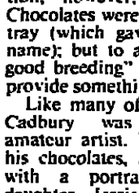
● **What you have to do:** Answer the 20 questions below and in not more than 20 words complete the following sentence: "Chocolates are . . ." In the event of more than one correct entry, the winner will be the person who in the opinion of the judges completes the sentence in the most appropriate way.

● **The rules:** All entries must be sent to Chocolate Competition, The Times, 12 Coley Street, London WC99 9YT, and must arrive by last post on Tuesday, March 26. The winners will be announced in the Saturday section on March 30. Employees of Times Newspapers Ltd and their families are ineligible. The Editor's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into.

Decorations Joyce MacDonald

1 What operatic character made chocolate for two mistresses?
2 What is the family link between the Milky Way and the Mars bar?
3 What was a "choco"?
4 Why would London's Sloane Square remind us of a bar of chocolate?
5 Who holds the majority in a standard ½lb box of Cadbury's Milk Tray, the soft centres or the hard centres?
6 Which chocolate manufacturer has an elephant as a trade mark?
7 When an RAF man says someone is "giving me chocolate", what does he mean?
8 What is couverture?
9 Approximately how many Smarties are swallowed each year in the UK:
  a Ten million
  b Five hundred million
  c Ten thousand million
10 What are chocolate cards?
11 What was "The Chocolate Gale"?
12 Which nation gave the world the chocolate truffle?
13 Who claimed he drank chocolate instead of champagne, and why?
14 Why did the British Quaker families secure such an early hold on the chocolate industry?
15 *The Chocolate Soldier* was a film musical starring Nelson Eddy. Who wrote the songs?
16 Which London gentleman's club began life as a chocolate house?
17 What was Cadbury's "Quality Street" named after?
18 What is a Mont Blanc?
19 What were Maltesers originally called?
20 Of whom was it said that "chocolate and the King are her only passions"?

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The first chocolate box artist was, perhaps unsurprisingly, Richard Cadbury. In the 1880s a master confectioner, M. Frederic Kinchelman, arrived at Bournville to teach the Cadbury brothers the secrets of making fine chocolates. These became the *sine qua non* of Victorian society parties. Presentation, however, was a problem. Chocolates were usually sold from a tray (which gave Milk Tray their name); but to appeal to "ladies of good breeding" it was necessary to provide something different.

Like many of his peers, Richard Cadbury was an enthusiastic amateur artist. He decided to box his chocolates, and decorate them with a portrait of his young daughter, Jessie, holding a kitten in her arms.

Towards the end of the century, chocolate boxes became increasingly elaborate. In the Edwardian era they were caskets with mirrors, drawers and even little locks. Arthur Rackham now designed the pictures of the painted versions.

Alas, it could not last. Tastes changed, boxes reverted to being unadorned containers, and British boxes have remained mere cardboard.

**Amanda Craig**

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# Kings of Africa's wild frontier

## Nick Brett goes on safari and sees what it is that makes Zambia a land fit for heroes

It was the most horrible sound I had ever heard. The wail of some poor wretch sweeping the banks of the Luangwa and catching on the dawn. I fancied the good Dr Livingstone beside me, his Scottish brogue breaking: "Have mercy on us, mon". Had he not written in his journal about stout fellows being trussed up like chickens or "made mincemeat of"?

Norman Carr broke the silence. "Fishing owl. Sounds like a lost soul falling down a bottomless pit, they say." He beamed, cupping his hands round the mug of hot tea, blowing on it and squinting across the river into the early morning light. I liked his spunk. He reminded me of Buchan's Richard Hannay, a rugged veld master grown accustomed to finding lodgers skewered to the porch door. Stout fellow, of course: Carr is king of the wild frontier – Zambia's equivalent of Daniel Boone and Armand and Michaela Denis rolled into one.

Zambia is not for the faint-hearted. Breakfast done, our lives probably shortened a few months by the fishing owl's song, we were bumping and thumping by Land-Rover into the bush with Carr at the wheel. If the day began with a leap and a shout, it would hold us with a glimpse of a lioness washing behind the ears of her young, baboons loping across our path and frolicking puku, kudu, impala and other assorted antelope by the score.

Safari, of course, is what Zambia is all about. If day one at the Mfuwe game lodge was dramatic, day two was melodrama . . . the characters in this incident are entirely real and bear no relation to any person living at Longleat.

Six journalists in a Land-Rover with Peter Morris, Mfuwe's warden, in command, we had set off at dawn again; this time in search of rhinoceros. No mean task considering the terrible toll organized poaching has taken on the rhino population. It is estimated that there are now fewer than 2,000 rhino roaming the Luangwa Valley, half the number of 10 years ago.

Poachers use planes and machine guns these days, which is not surprising since the horn fetches £16,000 a kilo – more than gold dust. And all because the men of Yemen like horn for their knife handles and the Hong Kong quacks practise in rhino powders . . .

We saw no rhino that day, nor any other day. But around noon on what had turned out to be a real November scorcher, we came upon a dead elephant. It had taken some time to die: the ground that was to be its grave scooped and shaped like a huge radar dish by the seven tons or so of flesh gripped in the throes of death. The dish was filled with its waters, bubbling with millions of maggots. The smell was dreadful.

A giant, dead in a dent in the ground, is not an uncommon sight. The bush abounds with bleached white skeletal litter like free-standing Henry Moores. Elephants have suffered in much the same way as rhino: the population in Luangwa is about 70,000, half what it once was, with all the big ones gone and what was once a rarity now a commonplace: the tuskless elephant.

This is a genetic matter: the wholesale removal from herds of the males with the biggest tusks has left its mark in breeding. There is consolation, of course, in the thought that nature looks after her own: without tusks the elephant is of no interest to the profiteer.

Our elephant was tuskless, the victim of natural causes then, the most likely one being bad teeth. With its molars gone, an old elephant eventually starves to death, Morris explained. We continued the search for rhino, intent on dentists and danger.

We didn't get far. A flat tyre accounted for our own dent in the ground and an even flatter spare tyre for the dent in our spirits. We began the long walk back to Mfuwe with Morris striding ahead: 6ft 3ish of bronzed bwana, khaki bags flapping round the knees and flip-flops a flip-flopping. No gun, no wireless . . . That evening he told us he was shortly bound for Sandbanks, near Bournemouth, and retirement after a lifetime in Africa. Wouldn't he notice a big difference? "I expect I shall."

This side of paradise, in the throes of British winter, there *is* a little comfort in acquired wisdom. I remembered Carr's pronouncement on the risks involved in his more organized and intentional walking safaris. "With the right person you're safer in the bush than crossing Trafalgar Square. The knack is to prevent you getting into a hitch rather than getting you out of one." On reflection, there is probably more danger on a night out in Sandbanks than on our jaunt with Morris.



Legends and lions: Dr David Livingstone (left) and Norman Carr with the two felines which he reared and then released

Carr and Morris, like Livingstone before them, are the giants of African legend. It was Carr, for instance, who fostered two lion cubs and was their guardian for three years before, with a lump in his throat, he returned them to the wild. And now the dream weavers in the travel industry are promoting such adventurism under the slogan: "The real Africa".

"Zambia Encounter" is the country's most ambitious and comprehensive attempt to attract tourists: a £100-a-day safari package that includes within the fortnight sight-seeing stop-overs in Lusaka, Livingstone and the Victoria Falls.

The selling of Zambia must be an uphill struggle, so the choice of slogan is brilliant; the visitor with wit will quickly grasp the irony. Take, for instance, the case of the Japanese tourists, as told by Peter Morris, who when scattered by a pride of lions vowed they would never return to Zambia until it introduced East African style transport – unreal, reinforced-glass cocoons on wheels. There are those, on the other hand, who prefer their Africa in the raw.

To pass judgement is difficult. Zambia is real Africa by any Third World yardstick. Desperate for foreign currency, what tourism infrastructure it possesses has until recently been blighted by the war that raged for years along its border with Zimbabwe. Its principal tourist magnet, the magnificent Victoria Falls (Zimbabwe admittedly has the better two-thirds on its side of the Zambezi), was effectively closed.

Everyday life shows evidence of an impoverished economy. My room at the Pamodzi, Lusaka's luxury hotel, had a strange brown stain on the carpet and evidence of rising damp on the walls (I was on the fifth floor). Towels were frayed and stacks of crockery (cracked) lay soiled in the corridors like shoes waiting for a shine.

The huts we stayed in at Mfuwe were two-star Biggin Hill. The bathroom looked as if a Panzer division had recently passed through and during the long, hot nights I sensed what air-raids must have been like. The Luftwaffe in this case was every imaginable size and shape of flying insect. The most impressive was one the width of a pickled walnut which managed to get tangled up in my hair.

Full marks, though, to Mfuwe for supplying a mosquito net, something which was lacking at the generally more up-to-date Chichele Lodge.

I would like to report that eating out was a pleasant diversion. In fact, lunches at the lodges were school-dinnerish – curried eggs, egg custards and cold cuts-cum-leftovers – while dinner at the 5-star hotels were 5-star public school.

It could have been worse. We could have experienced the *real* real Africa: nshima (meal-based porridge), inshyna (deep-fried flying ants) or toasted caterpillars. I saw a mountain of these on a stall at Luburma market in Lusaka. They were Chinese lantern-shaped, about the size of my thumb. Dead, thankfully, and according to my host, drained of the squishy stuff prior to cooking.

It might appear extraordinary, then, that given the chance I would return over and over again to Zambia. It is partly a question of time. The slogan is right: the real Zambia is now. The developer and the tourist, like the poacher, will take their toll.

Then, it is partly the people. Someone said, affectionately, of the French: "Scratch one and beneath the surface is a peasant". There are parallels in Zambia. Picture the group of us steaming in an aeroplane with propellors on the tarmac at Lusaka airport. Suddenly, the cockpit door springs open and a lanky airman sprawls backwards out of his seat motioning to the air hostess. Words are exchanged and we are soon trooping back into the departure lounge to be ushered one by one, like convicts to the gallows, on to the luggage scales. The hostess does the sums. Collectively, we must weigh a ton or so, I guess. We troop back dutifully on to the plane. Nothing is done in a hurry. It is hot. At dado height around the airport terminal are various heraldic shields of provincial capitals. The one for Ndola reads: "Indole nec indolentia".

For a nation that deals in slogans, "Relax" would be appropriate.

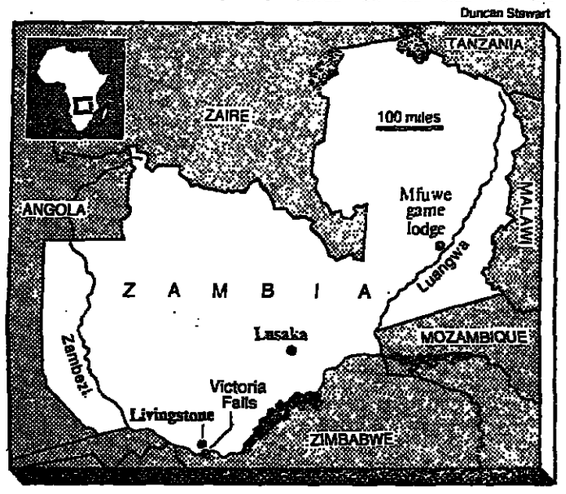
Yet, there is something magnificent and heroic about people who when their supply routes were cut off by Rhodesia's UDI could conceive of building a railway across a country the size of France, Switzerland, Hungary and Austria combined, to the Tanzanian port of Dar es Salaam. British and American engineers thought them batty, the Chinese – veterans of building walls and marching through wasteland – thought it feasible. The Tan-Zam railway took six years to complete and threads through 22 tunnels.

Lusaka, too, is worth another visit, not only for the blaze of colour – the red soil, and pavements lined with jacaranda and waving children in green and yellow school uniforms – but also for the fund of anecdotes it provides.

In how many capital cities would you find a supermarket shelf, mostly bare, where Kalulushi Farm Products's Hell Fire Sauce ("Do not remove cap. Pierce with knitting needle") sits next to assorted literature? The titles belong to the self help and religious genres: *How you can pass all examinations* by W. X. Mbilinyi, *My struggle against cancer* and Bruce Britten's *God's plan for Love and Marriage*. The latter, written in sob sister style, has a chapter entitled: "Ernest – I often find myself thinking about girls; their curves and . . ."

But how long will it last? At a farewell reception Jim Penman, controller of operations for Zambia's National Hotel's Development Corporation, beats the drum. "We have some small problems. Buses break down, hotels are not as smart as they might be. But with the game parks, the Falls, and the nice people, we think we have a lot to offer. We can't go far wrong." He pledges that tourism revenue will be ploughed back into upgrading hotels, refurbishing the lodges and "building an infrastructure for mass tourism".

For a moment, I sense the "real Africa" receding. Then Penman continues, elaborating on plans for new carpets. "The first truckload was expected on Wednesday. It appears to have got lost somewhere."




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# Boom in sales of tailor-made packages

TRAVEL NEWS

An increase in "do-it-yourself" package holiday sales has been reported by Pickfords, the nationwide travel agency chain. Mr Neil Thompson, a Pickfords director, said the more experienced travellers were becoming "disenchanted" with the larger hotels used by the main tour operators and wanted to build up their own packages, linking an air seat with car-rental or a hotel of their own choice.

Spain Instant, a specialist operator of tailor-made packages, reports that its bookings are up by 66 per cent on last year's figures. The company can make bookings at more than 200 Spanish hotels in all categories with prices between £5 and £60 per night and can link these with scheduled flights, using the new low fares recently announce by British Airways and Iberia.

Spain Instant has set up a national network of 500 travel agents to make its services. It is based at 52 Grosvenor Gardens, London SW1 (01-730 2101).

### Costa costcutting

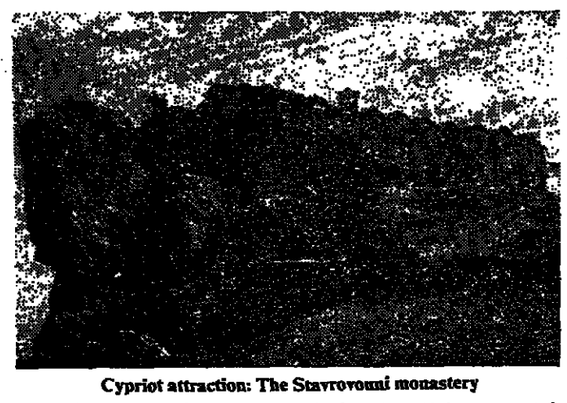
The latest price cuts on summer packages have come from Cosmos, which has reduced the cost of 25,000 holidays to the Costa Brava and Costa Dorada by up to £32 per person and by up to £80 for a family of four. Cosmos is also about to launch a new programme of 50,000 "Costcutter" holidays to all Spanish destinations.

Another operator, Tjaereborg, is offering a selection of bargains on holidays booked before March 30 for certain departures in April and May. The deals include three days' free car hire in some of the Greek islands, full board for the price of half-board in Majorca, and 75 per cent discounts for children on some holidays in Majorca, Ibiza and Minorca. Tjaereborg's holidays are not available through travel agents; information on 01-499 8676.

### Greek cover

A warning that Britons planning holidays in Greece this summer should be adequately insured has come from Europ Assistance, the international rescue organization. The company says it may base an air ambulance in Greece to cope with an expected increase in requests for medical evacuation to the UK.

Mr Mike O'Neill, Europ's operations director, says the expected increase in Britons holidaying in Greece this year will place a "considerable burden" on the country's health services. He recommends that all holiday insurance be backed by a 24-hour emergency service.



Cypriot attraction: The Stavrovouni monastery

### Two for the price of one

The Exchange Travel group is offering a free fortnight's stay at a selection of British hotels to customers who book an overseas holiday costing £150 or more at one of its 70 branches throughout the country. The same offer applies to holidaymakers who buy one of Exchange's own inclusive holidays to Malta, Cyprus, Gibraltar or southern Spain at any ABTA-member travel agency.

### Faster flights

*British Airways will launch the fastest non-stop service from Johannesburg to London on April 1. The new service, which will operate twice weekly, will take less than 12 hours, cutting one-and-a-half hours off the current fastest flying time between South Africa and the UK.*

### Irish innovation

Europe's first international scheduled helicopter service is due to start between Holyhead and Dublin on April 3. The service, operated by Dublin City Helicopters, will provide five round trips daily in April and May, increasing to eight trips daily between June and October. The flight time across the Irish Sea will be 30 minutes.

### Taxing problem

The Tour Operators' Study Group, which represents the UK's 17 largest holiday companies, has lodged protests with several foreign governments over the threatened imposition of increased taxes on departing passengers. Tour operators have been warned of extra taxes in Greece, Italy, Spain and the Gambia which have been notified too late to be included in brochure prices. In Italy, for example, the departure tax is likely to increase by 40 per cent to £4.30 per passenger.

**Philip Ray**

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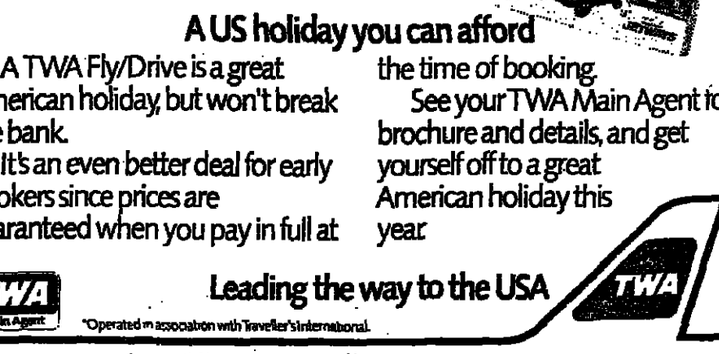
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REVIEW

# In tune with a strange and tragic subject

**F. Scott Fitzgerald by Andre Le Vot (Penguin Literary Biographies, £4.95)**

One of the surprises of Penguin's excellent new series of "Literary Biographies" is that *they have come up with* a marvellous life of Scott Fitzgerald – written by a Frenchman. *Bonjour, vieux sport!* It is fashionable to say that there are now too many lives of Scott (and Zelda), though actually Cyril Connolly said this as long ago as 1966 – when there were a mere 192 books on the subject.

The truth seems to be that, as *in Greek tragedy, there is* always room for the re-working of a powerful myth – the meteoric Rise and Fall of a Writer (and his Marriage) – and the discovery of some new dimension. Here we are given a Romantic European one: "Fitzgerald joined the writers who loved pomp and festival and who, thoroughbreds harnessed to base chores, exhausted themselves to pay their debts: Walter Scott, Dumas, Balzac, Lamartine and many others."

Fitzgerald himself had already raised a much more radical objection to the subject. "There never was a good *biography of a good novelist.* There couldn't be. He is too many people, if he's any good." *One knows exactly what Fitz* meant (despite that odd repetition of the word "good"). It is, in the European context, the same objection that Proust made to Sainte-Beuve's biographical criticism: the sense that biography can never fully *enter into the imaginative life of* an author: that a central part of his life really is that of the characters he creates.

But the reply must be that the best modern biography – Henri Troyat on Tolstoy, George Painter on Proust, Harry T. *Moore on D. H. Lawrence* – does achieve exactly that act of penetration, through a miraculous combination of scholarship and artistic empathy. The miracle, or at least the magic, is frequently found in the present work.

*Andre le Vot is the Professor* of American Literature at the Sorbonne. He is a renowned Fitzgerald scholar (parts of his highly original analysis of symbolic colour, "the aesthetic of yellow", in *Gatsby* are included here – think of the *golden car, and the* "yellow cocktail music"). But he is also a man clearly fascinated by the ordinary life of America in the 1920s and '30s: something strange and wonderful and finally tragic, to be written about with the cool, amused, judicious eye of the European historian. He is, too, a literary stylist, wonderfully well-served by his translator William Byron. These three qualities combine to produce a biography of exceptional zest and freshness, beautifully in tune with his subject.

His pictures of pre-war Princeton (he actually explains the collegiate passion for football); of Paris in 1925 (*including the Bricktop* Club and Josephine Baker); of the Riviera in its sunlit glory, and *Hollywood in its tawdry* glamour, are all memorably achieved.

Describing the "new woman" of the Jazz Age, which Scott and *Zelda helped to create, he first* runs rapidly through the social history of the new magazines, advertising, make-up, skirt lengths and corsets, jitterbugging, cocktail-shaking, and the sedan car (whose large, plush seats inspired one Mid-Western judge to describe them as "houses of prostitution on wheels"), and then summarizes the literary change they produced in a characteristic virtuoso passage:

"They aimed at the destruction of a quasi-oriental notion of Woman, the violin-shaped *woman*, full-breasted, wasp-waisted, lavishly hipped, a *pizzicato* creature, languorous and swooning, reclusive, idle, living only for the moment when marriage and maternity at last brought out her true self. Now she was being replaced by the clarinet woman: youthful, strident and boyish, a little piping, a little acid, unmysterious and disillusioned; she vied with and matched men in sports, at work, in love, expecting nothing from them but confirmation of her independence. In love duets it was she who chose the key and sounded the A."

*This is the sort of thing* that makes Le Vot's whole biography such a pleasure to read and, backed by his more sober scholarship, gives us Fitzgerald once more anew.

**Richard Holmes**



Creative couple: Zelda and Scott Fitzgerald with their daughter Scottie

# Red Emma, Queen of the Anarchists

**Emma Goldman – An Intimate Life by Alice Wexler (Virago, £5.95)**

Five feet tall and dressed in a plain serge suit, an unbecoming pince-nez masking her intense blue eyes, Emma Goldman, the revolutionary, looked like a severe little schoolmistress. But to the American press in the 1890s she was "*Red Emma*", the "Queen of the Anarchists".

Throughout her 33 years in the United States she spoke in packed halls to audiences who had come to see the defender of "free love and bombs". A "monster" to some, to others "a little Joan of Arc", Emma was news.

Born in Lithuania in 1869 of Jewish parents, she emigrated in the mid-1880s with her family. Only six months after her arrival, the now almost forgotten Haymarket incident took place in Chicago. No one knows who threw the bomb into the police squad monitoring an otherwise peaceful workers' meeting, but four local anarchists were arrested and hanged, almost certainly unjustly and Emma, a hot-headed 17-year-old, became an anarchist overnight.

Discovering that she was a gifted speaker, she soon took her place as the national figurehead, delivering a simplified version of the ideas of Prince Peter Kropotkin from lecture platforms all over the country. This aristocratic, benevolent and scholarly old gentleman, a friend of Bernard Shaw, advocated the overthrow, by violence if necessary, of all existing institutions, especially the State. The "natural laws of free association" between human beings would replace them.

These idealistic beliefs grew in strength from 1848 until about 1900 when the appalling number of assassinations they had indirectly provoked drove even the leaders to reconsider.

Emma never resolved this conflict between the "idea" and the "deed". Her fascination with violence linked her name indissolubly with the murder of President McKinley in 1901, by a young schizophrenic whose execution she mourned openly for years.

By middle age Emma did seem to move towards a more personal, even Laurentian, philosophy. This may have been due to her highly emotional affair with the adventurous young doctor who became her lover, publicity agent and ally. Her love-letters to Ben Reitman must be among the most explicit ever written and provide an unexpected diversion in the long catalogue of railway journeys, lecture halls, courts of law and on two occasions (Emma claimed three) prisons.

Alice Wexler's laborious style and Latinate vocabulary does not make *Emma Goldman – An Intimate Life* (published for the first time in this country) an easy book to read, but it is well-researched and likely to be useful to students of anarchism and radical feminism in America. Emma did not convert many Americans to anarchism – her periodical *Mother Earth* never exceeded a circulation of 5,000 – but she drew attention to the restricted nature of women's lives and helped to pave the way for some modern feminist ideas.

It is a pity the book ends with the deportation of Emma in 1919. Emma lived on for another 20 years, so why aren't we told about her, book, *My Disillusionment in Russia*, published in 1922? It sounds more topical than many of her earlier pronunciamentos!

**Isabel Butterfield**

# Let loose with little orphan Fanny

**Memoirs of a Woman of Pleasure by John Cleland (Oxford University Press, £1.95).**

Live and learn. Until my first *encounter with Fanny* Hill's memoirs, which was last week, I knew neither that London had *suffered earthquakes in 1770*, nor that its bishop had blamed them on Cleland's book, itself a storehouse of fresh intelligence.

If his lordship was right *about cause and effect*, London got off lightly. It was only the expurgated version that drew the natural convulsions. Had they come a year earlier, before the natural convulsions of Fanny and her bed-mates had been removed, and their chronicler prosecuted for obscenity, the city could have been wiped out.

The excisions, legally lost to British readers until 1970, but restored in the present edition, really provide the bulk of the work. It is hard to see why, without them, such commotion was aroused. A simple tale is left. Little orphan Fanny, from poor but honest Liverpool, comes to London to seek her *fortune, finds it, and after four* years ends up a respectable married lady.

Granted, she meets enough gentlemen on the way to give the story substance. But you get that in Jane Austen, with the difference that Jane's creatures keep their clothes on: are indeed hard to imagine with them ever *off*.

I owe to Peter Sabor's introductory notes the information about the bishop, the earthquakes and much more. Together with other notes and an extensive bibliography it is enlightening on Cleland's diverse works and activities, which include medical treatises, the tragedy *Titus Vespasian*, a comedy *The Ladies' Subscription*, a torrent of letters to the press under prim pseudonyms, and a scheme to start a Portuguese East India Company.

## Lady Chatterley left at the bedpost

In spilling over, properly enough, into further erotic *literature* of the period, Mr Sabor maintains a scholarly and uninflamed detachment likely to elude some readers later receiving Fanny's unbuttoned confidences, which leave Lady Chatterley and her lover at the bedpost.

*Cleland hated the Memoirs* "A Book I disdain to defend, and wish, from my Soul, buried and forgot." Why write it? It was an exercise, he told Boswell, to show that a "woman of the town" could be brought to print without the use of coarse words. He managed this well, and should have been pleased. "Bitch" is his coarsest, and that rendered delicately as "b—h". But it is by the brilliant choice *and manipulation of words* in themselves blushless, and by endless ingenuity with metaphors for the unmentionable, that he achieves his flights of pornographic fancy.

These may not, in every view, earn the book its place among others of "The World's Classics" in this series (for instance, *Sherlock Holmes: Selected Stories*). What is a classic? But they account for two centuries of public acclaim, if for most of that time in private, and for many foreign translations. Even by 1800, 14 French editions had appeared. Still, of course, the French . . .

Where I find room for praise, as distinct from a startled but confessed fascination, is in Cleland's dexterity, as a man, in writing from inside Fanny, unquestionably a woman. The voice is always hers. Women commentators, however, have differed sharply on the accuracy of his perceptions.

What all must agree is that the naked lady on the cover is for once not mere paperback catchpenny, but a promise more than fulfilled in the interesting pages to come.

**Basil Boothroyd**

# Bearing a heavy burden of guilt

**Milk, by Beverley Farmer (Penguin, £2.95)**

The biographical details offered on Ms Beverley Farmer, tell us that she is an Australian who lived for three years in a Greek village. Many of her stories seem to have been inspired by this; they also offer a rare glimpse into the lives of the Greek-Australian community in Melbourne, a rich source of misunderstanding, nostalgia and loss: "Everything deteriorates", thinks one of her heroines, "flesh, and love, *memories, relationships*, the will to live".

The strength of these sad, accomplished stories is in the contrast between the robust prose, full of food, colour and smells, distinctly earthbound, and the ephemeral uncertainties which beset the characters.

*At the Airport*, the strongest story in the collection, incorporates most of her themes as a woman sits out the weeks at home while her child is with his father in Greece with his grandparents. While she waits anxiously to see if he will return at all, she recalls her marriage and happier times spent with her son in Greece. She implies the break-up of her marriage in odd phrases as she contemplates with terrible guilt what she has done to her son: "She doesn't want ever to show him wounds or admit to the rage and spite that caused them. Nor, she thinks, does his father. They both cringe under their son's accusing gaze."

It has to be said that the women in these stories take on a burden of guilt that borders on the masochistic. Several have married lovers who treat them dishonourably; others attempt to enter a community which will never fully accept them. There is an implication that such bad treatment is the result of a willing innocence. One story, set unusually in Tahiti, *contains a rape scene which* has an air of inevitability about it and is all the more degrading in the context of the fresh, voluptuous style of the description of the island. There is no sense of preaching or polemic in the stories, more a depressing *sense of resignation*.

**The Life and Times of Daffodil Mulligan, by Maggie Redding (Brilliance Books, £3.50)**

The heroine of this book is no patient Grizelda. This is a novel *of great charm and honesty* for the first hundred pages, after which its good humour and straightforward style are marred by a belated attempt to impose a mystery upon the plot.

The narrator is the daughter of a lower-middle-class Roman Catholic family living in the home counties. She recalls her childhood and adolescence in tones appropriate to her education (two O-levels) and class vocabulary, *though thankfully* she is blessed with a sense of irony. Brought up by her bigoted, frigid mother to believe she is a problem child, she becomes obsessed with the pursuit of sex and a feeling that she lacks the easy grasp of her peers *on such delicate matters*. So far such preoccupations seem quite in order

Daffodil contrives to be courted and wed by an ineffectual bore called Bobby and their wedding, complete with fat bridesmaids and bad weather, *marks the end of her innocence* and of the narrator's direct, unabashed style. The marriage is brief and Daffodil runs away to London to find herself. From this point the author feels she must make a mystery story out of Daffodil's quest. Pronouns *are obviously omitted; verbs are* clumsily converted from active to passive to avoid indicating gender. Daffodil is obviously gay, and since the gender-confusing devices are a failure, the second part of the book sometimes reads like a catalogue of self-help groups for homosexuals. Maggie Redding has sadly failed to reconcile her social conscience with a knack for comedy bordering on farce.

**Gillian Greenwood**

IN THE GARDEN

# Fresh look at soft and fruity booty

There is always *room in my* garden for soft fruits; they are relatively simple to grow and not excessively demanding of one's time.

The tayberry is a recent introduction which I think will become very popular indeed; a raspberry/blackberry cross, it is similar to the loganberry. Its vigorous bush grows well in all but very light sandy soils but it needs looking after well. Add ample organic matter to the planting position – there is still time to do this before the end of March but do not delay as they come into growth fairly early.

A new hybrid berry is the sunberry. Its trailing shoots are quite spiny and ideally they should be trained like blackberries, tied in to a wall, fence or some kind of framework.

The boysenberry, a mixed cross of loganberry, blackberry and raspberry, is well worth *cultivation. One of the few* members of this family to do reasonably well on a light soil, it somehow has the ability to resist drought. The fruit when ripe is a very dark purple and it is a heavy cropper. Keep it well supplied with plant foods – mulching annually with well rotted farm manure will be adequate.

There are several good new varieties of raspberries. The early Glen Moy is excellent – its canes are erect and spineless, and reproduce themselves very well. At pruning time be ruthless and only retain the strongest and best. It prefers a good well-drained loam and, in view of its earliness, is best raised on soils which warm up quickly.

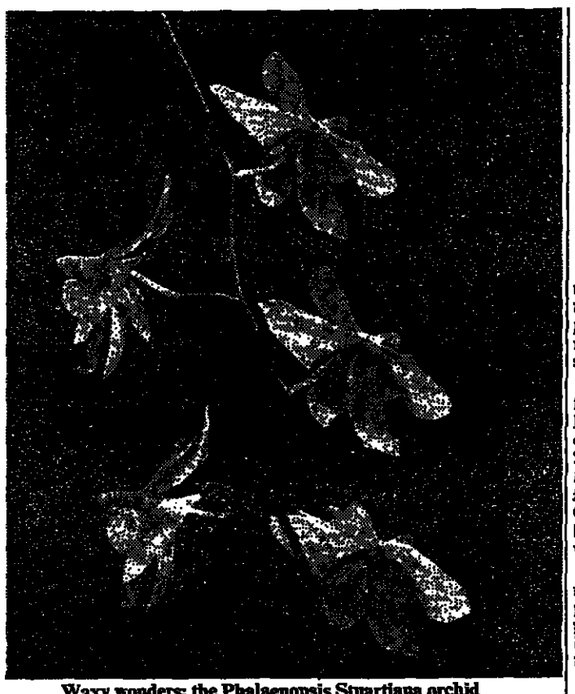
A late raspberry called Joy looks to be a winner, a very heavy cropper of excellent vigour and a good choice for the smaller garden.

The Long Ashton stable have given us a new variety of *blackberry, Ashton Cross.* The crop begins in early August and goes on into September. A vigorous plant, its fruit is plentiful although somewhat on the small side. It is a regular cropper, a distinct advantage over many varieties.

A new strawberry, Maxim, is sometimes referred to as the Mighty Maxim because of the *size of the berry.* The flavour is good although not the best. Grandee is another variety with *big individual berries.* It picks well, has a good flavour and the fruit is firm enough to cut.

Fruit can be obtained from Ken Muir, Honeypot Farm, Weeley Heath, Clacton-on-Sea, Essex.

**Ashley Stephenson**



Waxy wonders: the Phalaenopsis Stuartiana orchid

## Observations of the orchid

**Orchids are exotic. A single *bloom of soft, velvety colour and* strangely waxy contours has more impact than a dozen red roses; but among the *15,000* species of *Orchidaceae* are some which resemble insects and some which are, frankly, ugly.**

**This week the Royal Horticultural Halls in Vincent Square, London will host the centenary International Orchid Conference, which will provide the finest display of orchids ever seen in this country. Firms from the United States, Europe, New Zealand, South Africa and Trinidad and Tobago will be represented.**

**On Tuesday there will be a visit to the Orchid Houses at Wisley Gardens and the Botanic Gardens at Kew.**

**The conference opens on Wednesday. Full tickets for the four days cost £25, or there is a daily registration fee of £12. Details and booking forms are available from the Conference Secretary, International Centenary Orchid Conference, The Royal Horticultural Society, PO Box 13, Vincent Square, London SW1 (01-834 4333).**

**The final event is the Conference Dinner at the Guildhall on March 23, when Princess Margaret will present the awards.**

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# Magnificent men, mighty machines

Chess-playing machines had their most successful tournament ever in the third Novag Commonwealth Championship, held last month in the London Docklands.

The two monster Novag machines were remarkable for the excellence of their endgame play – a sphere in which machines had not previously shown any skill.

The tournament was notable for much thrilling chess, perhaps stimulated by the first-ever offer of a £10,000 prize. Kevin Spraggett of Canada successfully defended his title, but the £10,000 offered by Legal & General to a player who won all his 11 games in the tournament, was not claimed.

Legal & General were not risking much since only two players, former world champions Emanuel Lasker and Bobby Fischer, have achieved this feat.

Let me give the fine game from Round 10 in which John Nunn demolished Murray Chandler.
White: J Nunn. Black: M Chandler. Sicilian Defence.

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|---|---|---|---|
| 1 P-K4 | P-QB4 | 2 N-KB3 | P-Q3 |
| 3 P-Q4 | PxP | 4 NxP | N-KB3 |
| 5 N-QB3 | P-QR3 | 6 B-N5 | P-K3 |
| 7 P-B4 | Q-B2 | 8 Q-B3 | P-N4 |
| 9 P-B5 | N-B3 | 10 NxN | QxN |
| 11 BxN | PxB | 12 B-Q3 | B-N2 |
| 13 PxP | PxP | | |

This results in the hapless King being exposed in the centre; he should have played the safer 13 . . . BxP.

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| 14 Q-R5 ch K-Q1 | 15 P-K5 |

A beautiful pawn sacrifice that opens up fresh lines of attack.

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| 15 . . . Q-B4 | 16 0-0-0 QxP |
| 17 Q-B3 R-QN1 | 18 KR-K1 QxP. |

He is too greedy and has to pay the penalty; correct was the discreet Q-N4 ch.

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 19 K-N1 | B-Q2 | 20 P-KN3 | Q-R3 |
| 21 R-R1 | Q-N4 | 22 R-R5 resigns. | |

Remarkably the Queen is lost on the open board: a game played in the Morphy style by the victor.

● In answer to readers' letters on the Moscow match: my *point was that Karpov, while* undeniably a great tournament player, lacked the physical stamina which was so necessary for the more demanding world championship match; his title was saved only by Mr Campomanes.

**Harry Golombek**

AUCTIONS

**HOLIDAY VIEWS:** Watercolours recording a tour of the Continent in 1868 by George Edmund Street (1824-81), the major Gothic Revival architect, feature in a sale of drawings and watercolours priced between £200 and £1,200. Also, major works by Peter de Wint and John Constable.
Christie's, 8 King Street, London SW1 (01-839 9060). Viewing Mon 9am-4.45pm. Sale Tues 11am.

**CONNOISSEURS' TIPPLES:** More than 6,000 bottles from the cellar of Mr Jacques Rouët, formerly *managing director of Christian* Dior; the vintage clarets range from 1895 to 1980, the old sherries include seven 1870 bottles from the cellar of Napoleon III.
Christie's, 8 King Street, London SW1 (01-839 9060). Viewing Tues and Wed 9am-4.45pm. Tasting Wed noon-1 pm. Sale Thurs 10.30am.

**NOUVEAU RICHEST:** The highly ornate French furniture made by *skilled Parisian cabinetmakers in* the 19th century is the height of *nouveau riche* taste. Sotheby's *offer quantities of ormolu* encrusted marquetry furniture estimated between £2,000 and £10,000.
Sotheby's, 34-35 New Bond Street, London W1 (01-493 8080). Viewing *Wed and Thurs 9am-4.30pm.* Sale Fri 10.30am.

OUTINGS

**WIND AND SURF 85:** A chance to catch the final two days of the sixth annual windsurfing show, with displays of latest equipment, videos and lectures, funboard simulator, boating pool, ski slope and children's playground.
Alexandra Palace, Wood Green, London N22 (01-883 6477). Today and tomorrow, 10am-6pm; adults £2.50, children £1.50.

**TAP SUNDAY:** Two half-day *sessions for dancers or would-be* dancers. Each session comprises a general American tap class for all, *a short lecture on the history of tap,* question time, break, performance by "Hartley's Hot Tap" group and *fashion show.* Tap shoes not necessary – leather-soled street shoes acceptable.
Pineapple Studios, 7 Langley Street, London WC2 (01-836 4004). Tomorrow at 11am and 2pm (check availability of places). £5 per session, £2.50 for members.

**RUST AND CORRUPTION:** The *second New Scientist Molecule* Discussion for young people (13 years upwards) deals with the *functions, advantages and* disadvantages of the rusting process and is given by *metallurgist Dr Jack Harris.*
Molecule Theatre, Puddle Dock, London EC4 (01-236 9521 x259) *Tomorrow at 3pm.* Adult £1, child 50p.

BRIDGE

# Heavyweight but light hearted

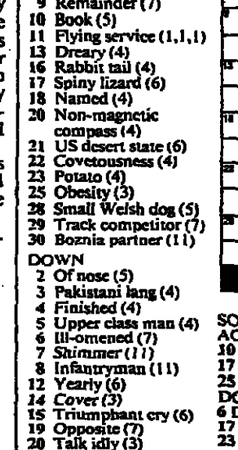
*The Brambletye handicap indi*vidual tournament, by invitation only, does not appear in the official fixture list. For several reasons it never will. But if you were to assume that an event restricted to only eight players was merely of parochial *significance, you would* be mistaken.

The competition is the brainchild of Brian Whitehouse, whose skill as a player would have assured him of a place in the Oxford team in almost any normal vintage. As it happened, the talented stars of his day included Robert Sheehan, Jonathan Cansino, Tony Milford and several others who have made their mark in international bridge.

Whitehouse combines a flair for meticulous organization with the conviviality of a generous host. The excellent dinner, accompanied by fine wine which was served at the interval, ensured that the competitors, however they are faring in the tournament, enjoy themselves in the second half.

*Seven of the eight players* were prominently successful financiers. From this you may conclude that the proceedings were light-hearted. Amiable, yes. Light-hearted, certainly not. Two of the players have represented Britain, one has *won the Gold Cup, and another* was an International trialist, so they could be expected to play with determination even without the incentive of a small sweepstake.

The standard of play was high. This hand provoked considerable discussions in the post mortem.
Brambletye handicap. Game all. Dealer South.




South made 12 tricks. In the legitimate psychological warfare after the hand was over, East-West tried to persuade South *that his pre-empt was respon*sible for a costly missed slam. South was unconvinced. "Against six diamonds I am sure West would find the killing lead of a trump, against which I have no chance. Even on the *lead of the ♡Q I can still only* make 11 tricks against best defence. Suppose I win the ♡A and play a club, which East obviously ducks. If I return to dummy with the ◇A to play another club, East wins the ♣A and gives his partner a club ruff with the ◇5.

"If I draw two rounds of trumps before playing a second club, East ducks, and I can't avoid losing two club tricks."

A *tempting double can give* invaluable information to an astute declarer. Game all. Dealer South.




| W | N | E | S |
|---|---|---|---|
| – | – | – | No |
| 3♠ | Double | No | 4◇ |
| No | 5◇(1) | Double | No |
| No | No | – | – |

Opening lead ♣A

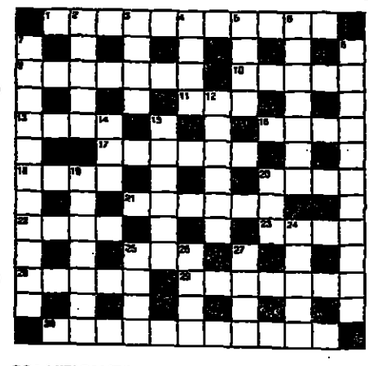
*(1) North was well aware of the dangers, but could not resist the lure of his aces and kings.* Many would do the same, but the five diamond bid is unsound.

South ruffed the second spade, crossed to dummy with the ◇K and played a third spade. It would be futile for East to ruff, so he threw a heart. Declarer played a diamond to dummy's ◇A, and cashed a top club and the Ace and King of hearts before putting East on *play with a diamond. East could* not avoid opening the clubs to South's advantage. Declarer's skilful card reading restricted the penalty to one trick, to record a useful swing.

**Jeremy Flint**

## CONCISE CROSSWORD (No 596)

Prizes of the New Collins Thesaurus will be given for the first two correct solutions opened on Thursday, March 21 1985. Entries should be addressed to The Times Concise Crossword Competition, 12 Coley Street, London WC99 9YT. The winners and solution will be announced on Saturday, March 23 1985.



ACROSS
1 Data controller (5,6)
9 Remainder (7)
10 Book (5)
11 Flying service (1,1,1)
13 Dreary (4)
16 Rabbit tail (4)
17 Spiny lizard (6)
18 Named (4)
20 Non-magnetic compass (4)
21 US desert state (6)
22 Covetousness (4)
23 Potato (4)
25 Obesity (3)
28 Small Welsh dog (5)
29 Track competitor (7)
30 Bosnia partner (11)

DOWN
2 Of nose (5)
3 Pakistani lang (4)
4 Finished (4)
5 Upper class man (4)
6 Ill-omened (7)
7 *Shimmer (11)*
8 Infantryman (11)
12 Yearly (6)
*14 Cover (3)*
15 Triumphant cry (6)
19 Opposite (7)
20 Talk idly (3)
24 Primp (5)
25 Effervescence (4)
26 Strong taste (4)
27 Knife (4)

SOLUTION TO No 595
ACROSS: 1 Pay off 5 Medici 8 One 9 Syntax 10 Ribbon 11 Snug 12 Oresteia 14 Flange 17 Sponge 19 Ding dong 22 Iona 24 Agreed 25 Evolve 26 Ems 27 Wonder 28 Tassel
DOWN: 2 Aryan 3 Octagon 4 Foxhole 5 Merge 6 Debit 7 Choking 13 Sap 15 Lying to 16 God 17 Suggest 18 Ominous 20 Greed 21 Order 23 Novae

*The winners of prize concise No 590 are: S. Jenkins, 52 Bradford Street, Caerphilly, Mid Glamorgan; and Mrs J. Vercoe, Blue Seas, The Fradgan, Newlyn, Penzance, Cornwall.*

SOLUTION TO No 590 (last Saturday's prize concise)
ACROSS: 1 Frozen stiff 9 Advance 10 Credo 11 Let 13 Ezra 16 Wing 17 Snatch 18 Oath 20 Chef 21 Nausea 22 Rind 23 Dado 25 Has 28 Irate 29 Chasing 30 Skating rink
DOWN: 2 Raver 3 Zone 4 Noel 5 Tact 6 Flemish 7 Jameson Raid 8 Song of Songs 12 Excuse 14 Ash 15 Cabana 19 Tintack 20 Cad 24 Apian 25 Heat 26 Scan 27 Fair

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DRINK

# Welcoming bouquet for newcomers

What do Côtes de Brian, Collines Rhodaniennes and Haute Vallée de l'Orb have in common? If I give you a clue and say that wines from Ile de Beauté and Vallée de Paradis also belong to the same group is it any easier? To be honest I doubt whether even the most fervent wine-loving Francophiles would have guessed immediately that all five names are new Vin de Pays areas. Corsica is the Ile de Beauté and anyone wandering off the coast-road at the unfashionable end of the Mediterranean, north of Perpignan could enjoy a glass or two of a Vallée de Paradis rosé.

Nine years ago there were around 90 registered Vin de Pays areas, today there are well over a hundred producing about 750 million bottles of wine every year. What is more, the list is apparently still growing, with every small wine-producing region and group of growers all wanting their own name and identity.

As the name suggests, Vin de Pays is one of the most humble of the French *appellation* quality levels, slotting in after AC *(appellation contrôlée)* and VDQS *(Vins Delimité de Qualité Supérieure)*, and before the basic Vin de Table. Technically Vins de Pays wines are also Vins de Table but they are superior ones for they have to meet considerably higher controls. Vins de Table are usually blended wines which could come from anywhere in France; Vins de Pays not only come from a clearly defined regional area and from certain approved grape varieties, but also boast a minimum alcohol level of 9° to 10° according to that area's capabilities.

The south of France still produces the vast majority of Vin de Pays wines, principally in the Languedoc Roussillon area although the Côte d'Azur produces a little too. The Loire also offers an even smaller percentage of Vins de Pays, better known as Vin de Pays du



Jardin de la France – an all-encompassing designation that takes in several *départements*. Another Vin de Pays category includes one that comes exclusively from one *département*, such as a Vin de Pays de l'Hérault or Vin de Pays de l'Ardèche. The last category deals with those small areas within each *département* that wish to be even more independent, which accounts for the Côtes de Brian and Haute Vallée de l'Orb.

Thankfully most of the Vin de Pays available in Britain are of the *département* type. Some of the most well-known and well-distributed of these are those from l'Ardèche, an area that lies to the west of the Rhône. The Syrah de l'Ardèche is I think the most successful Vin de Pays variety in the UK – not too surprising considering its proximity to the Rhône and I enjoyed Cullens version with its deep purple colour and lovely clean spicy Syrah bouquet and taste – a bargain at just £2.19. Cullens also carry a positive grassy Sauvignon Vin de Pays du Jardin de la France.

One of the most impressive and inexpensive Vins de Pays I have ever come across is the Cinsault-Syrah from Cante-Cigale, a Vin de Pays de l'Hérault – an area that borders the Mediterranean and fans out round the town of Montpellier. Admittedly the last couple of vintages have not been as good as the '81 but the '83 has an attractive pale purple colour coupled with an earthy spicy Syrah-influenced taste that is a good buy at £1.95 from Waitrose.

However the most magnificent and also the most expensive Vin de Pays de l'Hérault must be the headline-grabbing Mas de Daumas Gassac. The '82 is the latest vintage of the red Mas de Daumas Gassac, a predominantly Cabernet Sauvignon wine that is blessed with an inky purple-black colour and grassy blackberry fruit on the palate and obviously needs at least a decade or two in the cellar yet. (Wine Studio, 9 Eccleston Street, London SW1, £5.99; Bow Wine Vaults, 10 Bow Churchyard, London EC4, £5.95.)

In the meantime we can all look forward to spring with this Domaine's reasonably priced 1983 Rosé Frisant, whose pale red colour and intriguing ripe cherry and strawberry flavour has a refreshing touch of *pétillance*. (Wine Studio, £3.99; Bow Wine Vaults, £4.10.)

**Jane MacQuitty**

Vin de Pays devotees should look for Steven Spurrier's handbook *French Country Wines* (Collins, £5.95), a mine of information on the subject.

VALUES

# Bittersweet dreams in the making

## Confectionery for connoisseurs:

## Beryl Downing with a guide to the tasty world of top chocolates

Let's try lots of samples, said *The Times* chocoholics. So I took them at their word and after a week of blind tasting only one fanatic still greeted the appearance of yet another tray of assorted wickedness with a greedy grin. The others groaned and suggested a baked bean tasting.

Of our 20 tasters five were connoisseurs of some discrimination (that is, they agreed with me), five had an above-average chocolate palate, nine were mass market chocolate fanciers (they are above the age of consent and still like Mars bars) and one would die happy drowning in a chocolate vat.

The following was our final top of the chocs selection. Marks out of 10 were awarded by me, registering tasters' reactions on the Downing Delicatessen metre. High marks represent approval by most tasters for quality and interesting taste sensations, low ones represent chocolates that were just too much – too sweet, too creamy or simply too big. But there is no overall best buy because almost everything was heartily approved by someone.

☐ Fresh cream centres: Leonidas by Elena (10), Gartner (8), Savernier (3).

☐ Praline and nut assortment: Thorntons Continental (10), Savernier (9), Cromwells (9), New Haus (4).

☐ Plain assortment: Bendicks (8), Harrods (8), Prestat (7), Fortnum & Mason (7).

☐ Truffles: Charbonnel et Walker (10), Prestat (10), Harrods (9), Fortnum & Mason (9), Rococo (9).

We now have spots and our teeth are falling out, but for those who can be more self-controlled and would like to try a selection or two, here is our guide to the top chop shops:



Rabbiting on: the three stages in the moulding of a chocolate Easter bunny: left, the coloured sections are filled first – orange and green carrot, white teeth, eyes and nose; centre, Joan Hazzan (see Geoffroi, below) completes the mould with plain chocolate; right, the finished, four-colour rabbit

**Bendicks (Mayfair), 20 Royal Exchange, London EC3 (01-283 5843); 55 Wigmore Street, London W1 (01-935 7272)**

The tea shop of the early 1900s seems to have been as much a meeting place as the coffee houses were in the 17th century. In 1920 Colonel Benson and Mr Dickson (their first names have been lost with the early records) joined forces and names to found their tea shop Bendicks in Bond Street.

They opened more shops in the 1930s and continued in business until the 1950s but the policy of the company for the past 14 years under its managing director Michael Walters has been to expand sales rather than shops and Bendicks chocolates (now part of the Nabisco group) are sold nationally and internationally.

The famous Bittermints are their most popular line, for the upmarket connoisseur's taste is for dark chocolate – quite the reverse of the national nine-to-one preference for milk.

Their forte is an ability to make a range of high quality chocolates, not only under their own name but for other companies, without in any way blurring the distinctive images of each. They own Newmans, which has a separate range, and they make the plain selections for Harrods and Fortnum & Mason, yet even the chocolate on these two is discernibly different.

**Customers' Bendicks favourites:** Bittermints, £2.25 200g, fresh cream truffles £6.80 for 1lb. There are also assorted creams at £4 for 1lb, assorted nut centres £4.80 for 1lb.

**Easter specialities:** (Available only in Bendicks and Newmans shops) whole plain chocolate eggs filled with chocolates, Bittermints or Mint Crisps from £13.50, halves £6.50.

**Charbonnel et Walker, 28 Old Bond Street, London W1 (01-629 4396; mail order: 01-493 4029)**

Naughty is a word so often associated with chocolate that it comes as no surprise that Mademoiselle Charbonnel was said to have come to this country from Paris in 1875, because of a liaison with the future King Edward VII. He certainly patronized the chocolate and tea shop she set up with Miss Walker for his name appears several times in the notes made meticulously every day by the company manager, Mr J.W. Ross, in the early 1900s. But not all the patrons were so welcome: June 30, 1909. "Rather an anxious quarter of an hour this afternoon when seven or eight suffragettes walk in to tea. Thank heavens Mrs Asquith didn't turn up."

The company was rewarded in the 1920s with a royal warrant and, though now part of Barker & Dobson plc, the customers' records still read as if someone had sold Debrett to American Express as a mailing list.

Apart from the chocolates themselves, made to the original recipes in their own factory in Tunbridge Wells, the Charbonnel et Walker speciality has always been service. They will fill anything with chocolates from a top hat to a grand piano and they will include any



personal message in the box, spelled out in coloured, foil-wrapped chocolates.

**Customers' favourites:** Special selection of assorted chocolates (32 centres) all plain chocolate, apart from one strawberry-flavoured truffle in white chocolate. £8.14 for 1lb. Chocolate cartouche – bullet shaped chocolate with a rod of green mint down the middle. Very hard, very delicious £4.90 ½lb. Mail order anywhere in the world.

**Easter specialities:** Chocolate eggs £3 to £400; champagne bottle made of chocolate and filled with truffles £12.65; fish (illustrated) at £5.75 and £10.45.

**Cromwells, 20 Church Street, Upton-upon-Severn, Hereford & Worcs (06846 3926)**

Upton-upon-Severn is an attractive but unremarkable small town, so a shopful of high quality hand-made chocolate comes as something of a surprise. Alan Crowe opened Cromwells less than a year ago and is already supplying his truffles to Fortnum & Mason and assorted chocolates to Air Canada.

He does 22 varieties, all to Belgian recipes including his speciality, fruit creams – very much fruitier than is usual because of the concentration of fresh fruit preserved in alcohol.

**Customers' favourites:** The fruit creams and pralines with nuts and rum. All chocolates are £4.65 per lb.

**Easter specialities:** Rabbits hand-painted in three-coloured chocolate, eight models from £2 to £9, eggs from £1 to £10, ones over £5 hand-decorated with flowers. Mail orders accepted for chocolates, not eggs.

**Fortnum & Mason, 181 Piccadilly, London W1 (01-734 8040)**

The in-store chocolate factory which turned out all the F&M speciality chocolates went the way of all department store chocolatiers about four years ago and now the same recipes that customers have bought for generations are hand-made exclusively for them elsewhere in England.

There are a few Belgian pralines, too, but F&M chocolate connoisseurs are very traditional in their tastes. The chocolate encasing their favourite assortment is darker than a secret – as you would expect for aristocratic tastes – but surprisingly the most popular centres are rose and violet creams.

**Customers' favourites:** Coffee and mint truffles from the selection of 15 flavours at £6.95 for 1 lb; four-in-a-row hazelnuts covered in chocolate (approved in our tests for their originality) from the plain assortment at £6 for 1 lb.

**Easter specialities:** Hand-made English filled eggs, plain or milk, £5.25 for ½lb size to £150. If you order two weeks before Easter any egg can be personalized.

**Geoffroi, 65 Station Road, Winchmore Hill, London N21 (01-360 8289)**

When Geoffrey Hazzan was made redundant he and his wife Joan looked for a business which would involve them both but that could fit in with her frequent trips to the United States as a leading space scientist. The result was a chocolate cottage industry.

They saw no point in "aping Belgian chocolates" so after a chocolate-making course Joan created her own recipes and enthusiastic customers say they are definitely different.

**Customers' favourites:** Fresh cream truffles £7 for 1lb flavoured with cointreau, amaretto, Irish coffee and kirsch. Also available at The Garbanzo coffee shop, 411 City Road, London EC1. No mail order.

**Easter specialities:** Fudge eggs from £1, 12in chocolate rabbit holding an orange carrot £10.50, multi-coloured chocolate cockrel £10.50, white chocolate egg with open front holding truffles £6.50.

**Harrods, Knightsbridge, London SW3 (01-730 1234)**

An attractive, slim young woman who confesses to eating 1lb of chocolate a day with no apparent ill effects is the best possible advertisement for the most glamorous selection of confectionery in London – the chocolate halls at Harrods.

Sandy Collier, confectionery buyer, is constantly sampling new lines to ensure the most varied selection. For the Harrods own truffles she will order one from each of several manufacturers rather than all from one, just to make sure she has the best.

The Belgian selections come from Leonidas at £4.90 for 1lb, Gartner at £6.50 (over 100 centres) concentrating on truffles, pralines and cream centres. Neu Haus have a rainbow range hand-wrapped in multi-coloured Italian foils which make spectacular party centre-pieces at £6.50 for 1lb – the largest ever done was in four tiers on a silver platter at £1,500.

**Customers' favourites:** Champagne flavour from the truffle



range at £6.50 lb, Gartner fresh cream centres £6.50. Harrods own assortment made up to their own recipes in gift boxes to any requirement – if you want all creams or all nuts or whatever mixture, just ask. Mail order on some lines, van delivery in London on fresh creams.

**Specialities for Easter:** Big Bertha 26lb egg 3½ ft high, £198, Ackerman's eggs £6.10 to £34.85. Italian ceramics filled with chocolates including a stripey beach hut at £9.75, novelty rabbits in cars and on skis, £1.75 each.

**Leonidas by Elena, Head office: Manor Park Crescent, 12 The Quadrant, Edgware, Middlesex (01-952 1742). Eleven London branches including shop-within-shop at Selfridges**

Founded by Leonidas Kestekides in Belgium at the turn of the century, this is still run by members of the same family priding themselves on being leading chocolatiers in a land of chocolatiers.

Elena Lederman, who knew the family, brought the chocolates to England 15 years ago, and still organizes a van four or five times a week to collect deliveries of fresh cream chocolates from the overnight boat from Belgium. They don't mail order but will deliver by van as far as they can.

**Customers' favourites:** Fresh cream centre in a white chocolate coating from a selection of 29 varieties, £4.90 for 1lb. Pralines and truffles at the same price.

**Easter specialities:** Eggs from £5.95. Ten days before Easter eggs will be available filled with fresh cream chocolates.

**Prestat, 40 South Molton Street, London W1 (01-629 4838)**

For many years shoppers walking down Davies Mews could be seen being led by the nose round the corner into South Molton Street as they followed the aroma of chocolates like Bisto Kids. Prestat, alas, no longer make their own chocolates behind the shop but the selections are made up for them under licence to the same exclusive recipes.

Founded by the Dufour family in 1902, and now owned by Queensway Securities, Prestat has been particularly renowned for its truffles which are sent to many countries, including Japan, New Zealand, Australia and America.

**Customers' favourites:** Champagne, rum and vermicelli covered truffles from a selection of eight varieties at £7 for 1lb.

**Easter specialities:** Paddington Bear (exclusive to Prestat) in plain, milk or white chocolate, all £2.75 to £10.50. Rabbits from £2.75. Eggs up to £45. Mail order on anything except Paddington Bear and brandied cherries.



**Rococo, 321 Kings Road, London SW3 (01-352 5857).**

A small, colourful shop that makes you feel as if you were inside a chocolate box. Chantal Coady opened it two years ago, having worked in the chocolate department at Harrods. Trained as a textile designer, she wanted to make chocolate look as pretty as it felt wicked and she created collections of "designer dragees" to colour coordinate with fashion collections – Jasper Conran's spring show was complemented by her confectionery.

**Customers' favourites:** Swiss recipe liqueur flavoured truffles made in England. £6.50 for 1lb; for parties: silver chips 50p per oz or silver almonds £2 ¼lb.

**Easter specialities:** Named eggs to order, filled or unfilled from £2.75 to £175; a dozen speckled "quail's eggs" in a plastic egg box – they would even fool a quail £3.50; Hand-made all-sugar rings in "gold" with whopping sugar "diamond" £6.



more dark chocolate to meet the demands of an increasingly sophisticated British palate. Attractively presented in pink textured boxes and available at the moment in only seven Thorntons shops, it will reach other branches later this Spring.

**Customers' favourites:** Special toffee, 42p ¼lb, Continental selection £3.60 for 1lb.

**Easter specialities:** While-you-wait names iced on eggs from 80p to the one illustrated, packed with Continental chocolates, £9.99. Every Easter they name 1½ million eggs.

As one American customer commented: "It will last longer than most marriages these days".

**Ruth Liversedge, Queensmead Tea Shop, High Street, Beaulieu, Hants (0590 612279).**

An up and coming young company who have a mini chocolate factory at the back of the shop. Ruth Liversedge and her husband Alan started selling chocolates to complement their tea shop and are finding that the chocolates are taking over. They make their own special fillings, including cream and liqueurs and sell to Harrods, Liberty and Fortnum & Masons and are now working on export orders for America.

**Customers' favourites:** Fresh cream truffles £6.85 for 1lb, and an assortment of 20 varieties of plain and milk chocolates – most popular: caramel, hazelnuts and soft centres – all £6.20 for 1lb. Mail order on assortments, not truffles.

**Easter specialities:** Eggs filled with chocolate children – Indians, Eskimos, woodcutters £2.25, large one filled with hand made chocolates £6.95, family of three owls, dog with two puppies, cat with kittens 99p each set, pram with baby bear £4.75, also at Rococo.

**Thorntons, Derwent Street, Belper, Derbyshire (077 382 4181)**

Yesterday's opening by the Queen of Thornton's new factory at Swanwick, near Belper, Derbyshire, marks a British success story that began in 1911 when J. W. Thornton opened a small sweet shop in Sheffield.

Their famous Thornton's Special Toffee, the mainstay of the company for many years, was invented by Stanley Thornton, who is now 82, father of Michael, the company's deputy managing director, and uncle of its chairman, Peter Thornton. The family business now has 158 retail shops and 78 franchises and their aim is still to prove that "hand made quality confectionery doesn't begin on the other side of the Channel".

For the past 30 years Swiss *confiseur* Walter Willen has been responsible for creating their ranges, including the Continental selection which its devotees regard as the finest and best value chocolate selection anywhere.

His most recent development is a range called Chocolates of Distinction, hand made with fresh cream, liqueurs, fresh fruits and nuts, and including




SHOPFRONT

# Cracking ideas for a cup that cheers

As you know, "the common cormorant or shag lays eggs inside a paper bag" – which seems to be the only nonsensical receptacle missing from the exhibition of egg cups which opens at Strangeways on Friday.

At the suggestion of his exhibition organizer, Josie Firmin, who collects old egg cups, Christopher Strangeways asked all the designers and craftsmen who supply his shops to design an egg cup of any shape and in any material. About 50 set to with enthusiasm, and the result is a collection of some of the most extraordinary and imaginative containers ever likely to be set on a breakfast table.

There is a pair of spikey black ceramic cups, shaped like a punk hairdo and tied together with a chain, £34; a ship-shape wooden one called the Belgrano with a heavy list and salt and pepper funnels, £140; a weird Picasso-esque figure with eyes on stalks and a body like a cave man's club, £95.

But not all the shapes are peculiar. Josie's father, Peter Firmin, has produced a terracotta figure of Old King Knut, father of Noggin the Nog, which supports the egg most endearingly in the crown, £49; Susan Mason has made a collection of delicate porcelain cups, some frilled, some with bows, all decorated in pretty pastels, from £22; and Windsor and Ball have produced a tall lustrous cup like a miniature jardinière at £17.95 (all illustrated top right).

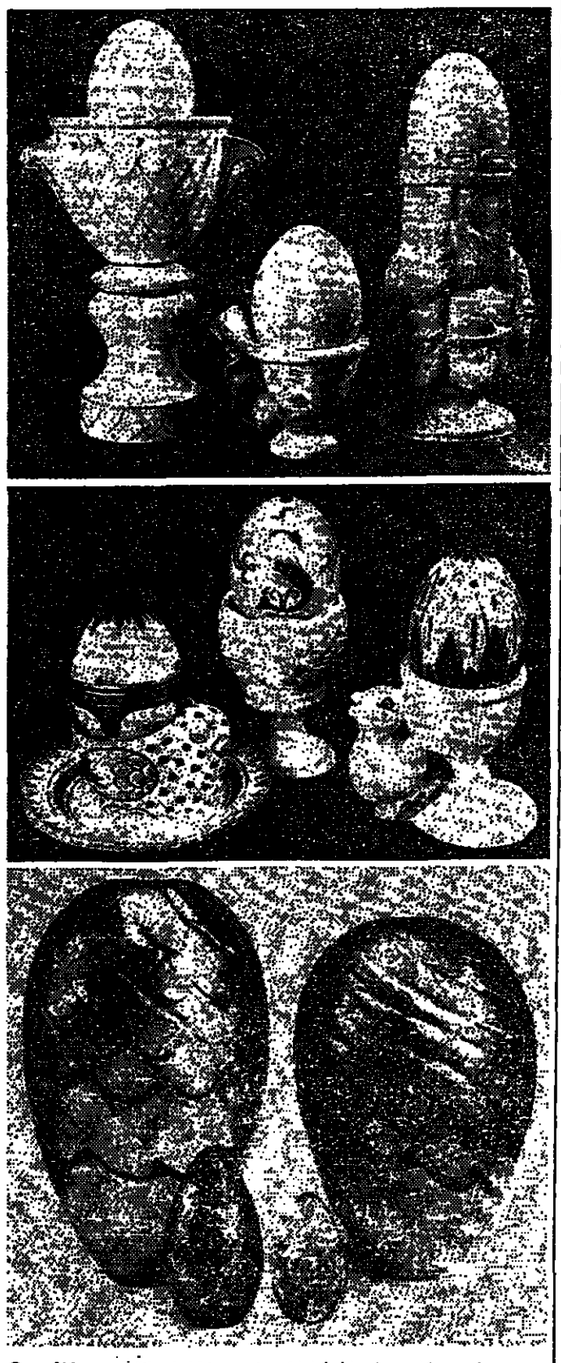
The exhibition of egg cups will be at Strangeways, 19 The Market, Covent Garden, London W1 (01-379 7675) until April 20.

Egg cups in more conventional mood are available at Liberty, Regent Street, London W1 (01-734 1234). The ones shown (centre) are a blue and white French ceramic in the shape of a chicken and nest £7.20, a pink on white pedestal shape at £6.45 and a cheerful chicken attached to a plain white earthenware cup at £2.85.

They each hold a hand-painted blown egg by Timothy James, whose extensive travels have developed a strong sense of design based on medieval European and Islamic art. Each egg is different and costs £5.95. He also paints his designs on boxes, book covers and personal stationery. Commissions through Liberty's One-Off department.

Egg collectors also know by now that Coleridge of Piccadilly is one of their happiest hunting grounds at Easter. The exhibition of original glass eggs (£20 to £30 each) by students at Middlesex Polytechnic is now an annual event and there is also a good range of Isle of Wight eggs in deep colours decorated with gold and silver leaf or encapsulating delicate flowers in clear glass. Prices are from £10 to £15.

And if your taste and pocket run to collector's glass you should look at the magnificent egg-shaped vases by Peter Layton. Originally a potter he turned to glass about ten years ago and set up the London Glassblowing Workshops in Rotherhithe.



One of his specialities is iridescent glass. His wonderful colours have been strongly influenced by Tiffany and the French craftsmen Gallé and Rousseau, and he has developed a technique which gives him extraordinary control over the colours.

The two egg-shaped vases illustrated (above) are about 9in high in blue/grey, blue and blue/pink and cost £195 and £225. There will also be examples of iridescent glass by one of his apprentices, Karen Lawrence, whose work will cost about £30.

The egg exhibition opens at Coleridge, 192 Piccadilly, London W1 (01-437 0106) on Thursday and will last until Easter.

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£3.50 £4.50 £5.50, £6.50, £7.50, £8.50 — Raymond Gubbay Ltd

**Sunday 17 March 3.15 pm** — VLADIMIR ASHKENAZY (piano) Rachmaninov Variations on a theme by Corelli Op 42 Six Etudes-tableaux from Op 39 (Nos 1-5 & 9) Chopin Ballade No 4 in F minor Two Nocturnes, Op 48 Impromptu in G flat, Op 51 Scherzo No 3 in C sharp minor Op 39
£3, £4.50, £5.50 £6.50, £7.50, £8.50, £10 — Harrison/Parrott Ltd

**Sunday 17 March 7.30 pm** — GALA CONCERT London Symphony Orchestra Owain Arwel Hughes (cond) Rosalind Plowright (sop) Julian Lloyd Webber (cello) Margaret Price (sop) Wagner On the Meistersinger Mendelssohn Capriccio brillant, Prokofiev Romeo & Juliet (excl) Puccini Arias Ravel Bolero Works by Bach, Bridge.
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**Monday 18 March 7.30 pm** — GOLDSMITHS' CHORAL UNION Guildford Philharmonic Orchestra and Choir Brian Wright (conductor) Jo Ann Pickens (soprano) Jean Rigby (contralto) Stuart Kale (tenor) Donnie Ray Albert (bass) Verdi Requiem (There will be no interval during this perf)
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**Wednesday 20 March 7.30 pm** — ROYAL PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Pro Musica Chorus of London Boys from Wandsworth School Choir Norbert Balatsch (cond) Sheila Armstrong (sop) James Bowman (c-ten) Stephen Roberts (bar) Sir Trevor Holdsworth (pno) Mozart Ov The Magic Flute Grieg Piano Concerto Orff Carmina Burana
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**Friday 22 March 7.30 pm** — BBC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA Yevgeny Svetlanov (conductor) Yo Yo Ma (cello) Svetlanov Dawn in the Fields, Dvorak Cello Concerto in B minor Rachmaninov Symphony No 1 £1.50, £3, £4.50 £7 £9 — BBC

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**Sunday 24 March 11.00 am** — THE BACH CHOIR English Chamber Orchestra Sir David Willcocks (cond) Maldwyn Davies, Rodney Macann, Felicity Lott, Dame Janet Baker, Alastair Thompson, Henry Herford, Hubert Dawkes, John Scott. Bach St Matthew Passion (complete)
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**Tuesday 26 March 7.30 pm** — PHILHARMONIA ORCHESTRA Simon Rattle (conductor) Alfred Brendel (piano) David Matthews September Music: Mozart Piano Concerto in G, K 453 Shostakovich Symphony No 10
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**Wednesday 27 March 5.55 pm** — CELEBRATING 1685 Bach/Handel/Scarlatti Roger Fisman (organ) Bach The Art of Fugue (Part II)
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**Friday 29 March 7.45 pm** — LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA Vernon Handley (conductor) Misha Dichter (pianist) Classics for Pleasure Series Dvořák Symphonic Variations Liszt Piano Concerto No 2 Rachmaninov Symphony No 2 ALL SEATS £3.50 — LPO Ltd

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**Sunday 17 March 3.00 pm** — CLEVELAND QUARTET Schubert Quartet in E flat, D 87 Mendelssohn Quartet in A minor Op 13, Beethoven Quartet in F Op 135 £1.50 £2, £3, £4, £5 — Ingpen and Williams Ltd

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**Saturday 23 March 7.45 pm** — LONDON ORPHEUS CHOIR AND ORCHESTRA James Geddarn (conductor) Beryl Tucapske (sop) Patricia Conti (cont) Adrian Goss (ten) John Hancorn (bass) Leslie Pearson (organ) Schubert Symphony No.5, Szymanowski Stabat Mater Haydn Mass in B flat
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Television and radio choice

# ON THE AIR

by Peter Waymark

# Lovers who don't toe the party line

## Films on TV

"It is a long held belief of mine that the yardstick of freedom is found in just how tolerant are current customs in letting people live as they please, feel as they are capable of feeling and think as they see fit."

Thus the Hungarian film director, Karoly Makk; a bold statement from an artist working under a communist regime and it underpins a courageous film, **Another Way**, made in 1979, gets its first British television showing on Wednesday (Channel 4, 10-11.55pm).

The conflict between freedom and the state informs the film in two areas, political and sexual, and both are treated with startling frankness. At the core of *Another Way* is a love affair between two women but their personal relationship is constantly placed in a political context.



Jankowska-Cieslak (Eva)

The film is set in 1958, two years after the Hungarian uprising has been crushed by Soviet tanks but not long enough for memories to have faded. Eva is a peasant girl who arrives in Budapest to work as a journalist on a weekly newspaper but her independent views soon lead her into trouble with the party liners.

At the same time she falls in love with Livia, a married woman colleague. Livia's dull, respectable marriage soon crumbles and the two women become lovers. When the paper refuses to print an article Eva has written about political corruption, she resigns; and under the stress of her double rebellion, both lives take a tragic course.

*Another Way* is a film of extraordinary sensitivity. Seldom on screen has an intimate relationship, lesbian or otherwise, been handled with such tenderness and sympathy. The anguish and the ecstasy, the guilt and the despair are hauntingly captured by the director, Makk, and his two actresses.

Both Jadwiga Jankowska-Cieslak, who plays Eva, and Grazyna Szapolowska (Livia) are Polish. The editor, too, is played by a foreigner: he is the Czech actor, Jozef Croner, familiar to Western audiences from *The Shop on the High Street*.

Though *Another Way* was a revolutionary film, its director was no young Turk. By the time he made *Another Way* Karoly Makk had been working in the cinema for more than 30 years and directing since the early 1950s. He is a versatile film maker, riding his country's political upheavals, and previously best known internationally for *Love*, which shared the Jury Prize at Cannes.

But there was nothing in his early career to suggest the boldness of *Another Way*, which ushered in a brief liberal period in the Hungarian cinema leading to such films as Zsolt Kezdi-Kovacs's *Forbidden Relations*, a study of incest shown on Channel 4 earlier this month.

Since then the cultural climate has become frostier and it is doubtful whether a film like *Another Way* could now be made. The authorities refused approval for a follow up based on the sequel to the book from which *Another Way* was made.

But Makk continues on his eclectic path. His latest film is a farce called *Playing for Keeps*, an American-Hungarian co-production with Maggie Smith and Christopher Plummer.



Moribund marriage: Grazyna Szapolowska (Livia) and Peter Andorai as her husband in Another Way

**Also recommended**

**Viva Zapata!** (1952): Smouldering performance by Marlon Brando as the Mexican revolutionary, Emiliano Zapata, in a potent treatise on the corruption of power directed by Elia Kazan from a script by John Steinbeck (Channel 4, today, 1.55-4pm).

**Kiss Me Deadly** (1955): Ralph Meeker as Mickey Spillane's Mike Hammer in a vicious, stylish suspense thriller that has become a cult piece; directed by Robert Aldrich with a full bag of cinematic tricks (Channel 4, today, 10.55pm-12.50am).

**The Middle Man** (1975): Sharply observed study by the leading Indian director, Satyajit Ray, of commercial morality in contemporary Calcutta (Channel 4, tomorrow, 2.25-4.50pm).

**The Lodger** (1944): Atmospheric Hollywood version of the Jack the Ripper story, with a towering central performance from a memorable 1940s heavy, Laird Cregar; Merle Oberon and George Sanders in support (Channel 4, tomorrow, 11.10pm-12.45am).

**Breezy** (1973): Clint Eastwood is the unlikely, but astute, director of this romance between middle-aged estate agent William Holden and girl hippie Kay Lenz (BBC1, Mon, 10.05-11.50pm).

***Majhdar** (1984): Writer-director Ahmed Jamal's perceptive look at a young Asian woman in Britain, trying to find her cultural bearings after being abandoned by her husband (Channel 4, Mon, 10.35pm-midnight).

***Ticket to Heaven** (1981): Powerful Canadian exposé of the Moonies, with Nick Mancuso as the young teacher sucked into the manipulations of a false faith (Channel 4: Tues, 9-11pm).

**Run of the Arrow** (1956): Samuel Fuller's powerful and disturbing Western with Rod Steiger as a former Confederate soldier trying to build a new life amid the Sioux Indians (BBC2, Wed, 6-7.25pm).

**Le Jour se Lève** (1939): Marcel Carné's masterly exercise in romantic fatalism, with Jean Gabin, having killed in passion, holed up in his room as the police move in (BBC2, Fri, 12.05-1.35am).

**First British Television showing*

# All change except for Burke

## Television

**James Burke's forte is to make ordinary ideas seem extraordinary, or at least exciting. His latest television blockbuster, The Day the Universe Changed (BBC1, Tuesday, 8-8.50 pm) is the third part of a trilogy which started eight years ago with *Connections* and continued in 1980 with *The Real Thing*.**

**Burke's thesis this time is that "the only constant in life is change." Profundity or cliché? You can spend the next 10 weeks trying to decide. It is a series that will be difficult to escape, what with the prime time slot, Burke's generous dome on the cover of *Radio Times* and the book already out.**

**Burke annoys the purists and draws large audiences. To those who suggest that the BBC could ease its financial burden by not sending Burke round the world on these quasi-scientific jaunts, the retort is that the programmes are big money spinners, selling to dozens of countries.**

***The Day the Universe Changed* will probably only reinforce prejudices. Burke leaps televisually and with much waving of arms from Colorado to Mount Everest to the Greek Islands, coining new words like "maximal", spouting trendy lingo ("heavily into", "meaningfully well", "the quick fix") and harangues us in big close up.**

**Filmed over 18 months in 22 countries . . . the statistics are suitably awesome. And if the arrival of Aristotelian logic from medieval Spain sounds like a dry handful, just wait until Burke gets at it. One thing is sure: it won't be Burke who drops first.**

**Coming abruptly down to earth, we have Carla Lane's latest sitcom, I Woke Up One Morning (BBC 1, Thursday, 9.35-10.05pm). The writer calls it a tragicomedy but from the first episode it is hard to tell. Having explored every facet of boy meets girl from *The Liver Birds* to *Mistress*, Ms Lane changes tack and looks at alcoholics.**

**There are four of them, trying to dry out in a psychiatric hospital. "I've had a busy day", says one. "I've had a busy life", is the retort. Inconsequential dialogue abounds but there is not much shape. Three of the four seem to owe their predicament to trouble with women.**

**The Richard Dimbleby Lecture has had a habit of making the headlines and it may do so again on Friday (BBC1, 10.20-11.10pm) when the first woman to appear in the series, Lady Warnock, has some pithy advice for teachers. She reckons that teachers have forgotten the proper purposes of school and must educate themselves.**

**Arguments have already been stirred by tonight's Channel 4 profile of Edward Heath (9-10pm) in which the former Prime Minister talks at length about how Margaret Thatcher ousted him from the Conservative leadership; and how much it hurt.**

**In Giutarra! (Channel 4, tomorrow, 9.20-9.45pm) the disarmingly talented Julian Bream starts an eight-part history of the Spanish guitar.**

# Pinter's heroes of stage and crease

## Radio

Radio 3 has a relishable Harold Pinter premiere tomorrow. **Players** (8.15-8.45pm) pays affectionate tribute; by way of two playlets, to a brace of Pinter heroes, the Irish actor-manager, Anew McMaster, and the Somerset and England cricketer, Arthur Wellard.

Pinter was an actor before he became known as a playwright and among his engagements in the early 1950s was a Shakespearean tour of Ireland in McMaster's company. Overworked and underpaid, the troupe survived on the personality of its leader; and Pinter fell under his spell.

McMaster was an Irish Donald Wolfit, a boisterous, larger-than-life figure who liked to be a big fish in a small pool and bravely took Shakespeare where Shakespeare had rarely been before. He acted only occasionally in Britain and died in obscurity. Pinter's portrait is humorous and shrewd.

In his prime a prodigious hitter of sixes, Wellard finished his playing days with the Gaieties, a team of wandering cricketers for whom Pinter was a moderately effective batsman. Though handicapped by rheumatism, Wellard was still worth his place at 72, bowling 18 overs for 29 runs and making the winning hit in near darkness: a character if ever there was one.

The **Monday Play** (Radio 4, 8.15-9.45 pm) is an adaptation by Stephen Davis of William Boyd's tragi-comic novel, *A Good Man in Africa*. Alan Rickman, whose performance in *The Barchester Chronicles* is still etched on the memory, plays Morgan Leafy, the bumbling middle-aged diplomat with his eye trained firmly on the women; and there is support from Alison Steadman and Bill Paterson.

Still on drama, Alun Owen's **After the Funeral** is revived on Thursday (Radio 4, 3-4pm) with its sequel, a new play called **Widowers**, coming up on March 28. Tony Haygarth and John Shrapnel star in each as two brothers of identical upbringing but contrasting temperament whose differences are brought into the open by the death of their mother.

Marking the 300th anniversary of Johann Sebastian Bach, Radio 3 has a direct relay of the St Matthew Passion from Leipzig, where the composer spent much of his life and died in 1750 (Thursday, 7-10.20pm). The work is sung in German, with Peter Schrier (tenor) as Evangelist.

Another anniversary, the centenary of **The Mikado**, falls today. In a live concert from the Royal Festival Hall (Radio 2, 7.30-9.30pm) 27 former members of the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company perform extracts from this and other Gilbert and Sullivan standards, including *The Pirates of Penzance*, *Trial by Jury* and *Iolanthe*. During the interval (8.20-8.40pm) there is a talk on Gilbert and Sullivan by Peter Gammond.

The latest discoveries and developments in technology are rounded up by Alun Lewis in a five-week Radio 4 series, **Hi-Tech** (Thursday, 8.10-8.40pm). A world which embraces space shuttles and talking coffee pots cries out for the intelligent synthesis that a programme like this can provide.

Finally, the return of a radio indestructible, **Brain of Britain** (Radio 4, Tuesday, 12.27-12.55pm; repeated Thursday, 6.30-7pm) under the gently mocking chairmanship of Robert Robinson.

# ROCK & JAZZ

**TINA TURNER**
**Tonight and tomorrow, Wembley Arena, Empire Way, Wembley, Middlesex (01-902 1234); Wed, Edinburgh Playhouse (031 557 2590); Thurs, Manchester Apollo (061 273 1112)**
What a triumph! The saga of Annie Mae Butlock, from "It's Gonna Work Out Fine" through "River Deep – Mountain High" and "Nutbush City Limits" to "What's Love Got To Do With It", from the chitlin' circuit to the Grammy awards ceremony, is surely already shaping up as a mini-series in the mind of some shrewd American television executive.

**THE SMITHS**
**Tonight, Victoria Halls, Hanley (0782 615892); tomorrow, Hippodrome, Birmingham (021 622 2576); Mon, Oxford Apollo (0865 44544); Fri, Sheffield City Hall (0742 22885)**
Hugely popular, particularly with greying former hippies, this group of Mancunian exquisites are too aware of their own pivotal role in pop history to last much longer.

**FRANKIE GOES TO HOLLYWOOD**
**Tomorrow and Mon, Newcastle City Hall (0632 612606); Wed, Glasgow Apollo (041 332 9221)**
All rather after the fact, isn't it? Better, I think, to stay home with the mostly-instrumental 12-inch mix of "Two Tribes", for which they will be remembered long after all the outsize T-shirts have gone to wash-rags.

**CAMDEN JAZZ FESTIVAL**
**From Mon, Logan Hall, 20 Bedford Way, London WC1 (inquiries 01-388 1394; credit card bookings 01-387 6293)**
Graham Collier's all-star orchestra kicks off the festival (Mon) with a performance of his extended composition "Hoarded Dreams", premiered at Bracknell a couple of years ago – and the superb Norwegian guitarist Terje Rypdal is a late addition to the personnel. Hermeto Pascoal, an influential Brazilian pianist and composer, tops the bill on Tues, supported by the locally produced exotica of El Sonido de Londres. Wed contrasts the vastly entertaining World Saxophone Quartet – David Murray, Julius Hemphill, Hamiet Bluiett, Oliver Lake – with the miraculous solo saxophone of Evan Parker and the European quintet of Tony Oxley, the pioneering British drummer. Thurs has Beaver Harris fronting a group including the multi-instrumentalist Sam Rivers. Fri is hard-bop night: Woody Shaw and Joe Farrell lead a quintet, Bobby Watson and Sal Nistico appear with their respective British rhythm sections.

**HARP LAGER ROCK WEEK**
**From Tues, ICA Theatre, Nash House, The Mall, London SW1 (01-930 0493)**
While the music of Chuck Berry, Buddy Holly, the Beach Boys and Eddie Cochran turns up nightly on television selling everything from toy guns that spark to flesh-coloured Christs that glow in the dark, Harp Lager's marketing department pins its faith on the likes of Sonic Youth (Wed), Jah Wobble, formerly of Public Image Ltd (Thurs) and Danielle Dax, recently feted for her performance in the film *Company of Wolves* (Fri).

**SAL NISTICO**
**Wed, Bass Clef, 35 Coronet Street, London N1 (01-729 2476)**
The bull-necked American tenor saxophonist undertakes a live recording with a quintet including Art Themen and Stan Tracey.

**SHAKIN' STEVENS**
**Fri, Birmingham Odeon (021 643 6101)**
These days, a more convincing *blouson noir* than Cliff Richard or Joe Strummer.

**PAUL YOUNG**
**Fri, Showring Pavilion, Shepton Mallet (0749 82225)**
The replacement of his female backing singers with a black gospel trio has proved, in "Everything Must Change" and "Every Time You Go Away", to be an infrastructural gambit worthy of Ry Cooder.

**Richard Williams**



Triumphant: Tina Turner

# DANCE

# The USSR cavalry

**It is difficult to know which are the more impressive – the men or the women of the Georgian State Dance Company. What is clear is that both convey an excitement which makes their performances stand out above other national dance troupes.**

**The men have the more obviously stirring moments. Their costumes often resemble uniforms, and they enter the stage like a squad of cavalry occupying their chosen territory. Their movements have the pace and freedom of horses – but sometimes, when they rise and swoop on the tips of their booted toes, they seem more like great birds of prey.**

**The women's contribution is quieter, much more reserved, but their backs are held as proudly upright as those of the men. Under their long skirts, they move with such quick, smooth footsteps that they seem almost to be gliding.**

**After an absence of five years, the company is returning to Britain for a month's tour, starting on Monday.**

**John Percival**

Details of their appearances are: **Southampton**, Gaumont Theatre (0703-333001) Mon, Tues at 8pm; **London**, Dominion, Tottenham Court Road (01-580 9562). Wed-Fri and Mar 23, 25, 26 at 8pm; **Reading**, The Hexagon (0734 591591) Mar 27, 28 at 8pm; **Eastbourne**, Congress Theatre (0323 36363) Mar 29 at 8pm; **Newcastle upon Tyne**, New Tyne Theatre (0632 320899) Mar 31 at 3pm and 8pm; **Birmingham**, Hippodrome (021-622 7488) Apr 2 at 7.30pm; **Nottingham**, Royal Concert Hall (0602 472328) Apr 3 at 8pm; **Westcliff**, Southend, Cliffs Pavilion (0702 351135) Apr 5 at 6.15pm and 8.45pm; **Bournemouth**, Pavilion Theatre (0202 25861) Apr 6 and 7 at 8pm; **Cardiff**, St David's Hall (0222 371236) Apr 9 and 10 at 7.30pm; **Preston**, Guild Hall (9772 21721) Apr 11 at 8pm; **Bradford**, St George's Hall (0274 752000) Apr 12 at

## THEATRE

# Jumping back to town

"You either get it right or dreadfully wrong. There is no pretending, and you cannot get away with busking the part", says Felicity Kendal. She was speaking of the pleasures and the perils of acting in plays by Tom Stoppard, whose highly acclaimed and award-winning *Jumpers* begins previews at the Aldwych Theatre next week for its first West End presentation.

It is directed by Peter Wood, whose direction of the original 1972 National Theatre production marked the beginning of a close and continuing collaboration with Stoppard which includes productions of *Travesties*, *Night and Day* and *The Real Thing*. Wood likes to work with the same team where possible, and Felicity Kendal has already appeared in two Stoppard plays – *On The Razzle* and *The Real Thing*. She found herself free when the new production of *Jumpers* was proposed, and was delighted to be part of the team, which includes Paul Eddington, Simon Cadell and Andrew Sachs.

She has seen the play three times and admits she did not fully understand it the first time. "Stoppard's plays grow and your understanding of them grows when you return to them. He constructs his sentences very carefully, dealing with complicated ideas, and if you get a word wrong it can ruin the meaning."

*Jumpers* is a farce which raises the serious question of the nature of belief, a blend of high thinking and low jinks, with a professor of moral philosophy as its hero and a team of gymnasts in the cast. The author has been in close touch with the production, adjusting the script where he feels it can be more appropriate to this cast, and bringing it up to date where 1972 references are less relevant.



High thinking, low jinks: Eddington and Kendal

Tom and Viv, Michael Hastings' poignant look at the wasteland of T. S. Eliot's first marriage, which was presented successfully at the Royal Court Theatre last year, returns there on Wednesday after a run at the Public Theatre of New York.

Julie Covington remains in the part of Viv, whom Eliot certified as mad, and Tom will be played by Edward Herrman.

### Christopher Warman

*Jumpers*. Aldwych (01-836 6404). Previews from Fri at 7.30pm Mon-Fri at 7.30pm, Sat at 8pm; matinées Wed at 2.30pm and Sat (not Mar 23) at 4pm. Opens Apr 1 at 7pm, then as previews.
*Tom and Viv*. Royal Court (01-730 1745). Previews Wed and Thurs at 8pm, opens Fri at 8pm. Then Mon-Sat at 8pm, matinees Sat (from Mar 30) at 4pm.

## Openings

**HAPPY JACK:** John Godber's award-winning play tells the story of a Yorkshire miner and his wife, from their first meeting to their deaths. Andrew Livingston and Jane Clifford, directed by Godber, in a Hull Truck Theatre Company production.
Kings Head Theatre Club, 115 Upper Street, London N1 (01-226 1916). Previews Mon and Tues at 8pm (dinner optional from 7pm). Opens Wed at 7.30pm (dinner 6.30pm). Until Apr 13, Mon-Sat at 8pm (dinner at 7pm).

**THE POSSESSED:** Yuri Lyubimov's first project since he came to the West from the Soviet Union to live, this English version of Fyodor Dostoevsky's novel, by Richard Crane from a translation by Irina Kirilova, returns to London where it previewed in February before visits to Paris and Italy.
Almeida Theatre, Almeida Street, London N1 (01-359 4404). Preview Wed at 7.15pm, opens Thurs at 6.30pm. Until Apr 20, Mon-Sat at 7.15pm; matinées Sat at 2pm.

**UP'N'UNDER:** John Godber's 1984 Comedy of the Year (Olivier Awards) returns to London with a mainly new cast, directed by the author. The story of a local pub rugby team attempting to beat the town's champion side, it cleverly uses a cast of only six in creating a match on stage.
Fortune Theatre, Russell Street, London WC2 (01-836 2238). Previews Tues-Thurs at 8pm, Fri and Mar 23 at 6pm and 8.30pm, Mar 25 at 8pm. Opens Mar 26 at 7pm, then: Mon-Thurs at 8pm, Fri and Sat at 6pm and 8.30pm.

**WHERE THERE'S A WILL:** An entertainment in aid of the Ethiopian Appeal Fund. The star-studded cast includes Dame Peggy Ashcroft, Ian Charleson, Judi Dench, Richard Griffiths, Sheila Hancock, Nigel Hawthorne.
Barbican Theatre (01-628 8795/638 8891). Sun only at 7pm.



Riotous: Tom Conti

## Selected

**TWO INTO ONE**
*Shaftesbury (01-379 5399). Mon-Fri at 8pm, Sat at 5.30 and 8.30pm; matinées Wed at 3pm*
Donald Sinden and Michael Williams, both on their best form, in Ray Cooney's riotous farce of marital misunderstanding involving a philandering politician caught in flagrante in a Westminster hotel. Cast changes from Mon, with Tom Conti and Donald Hewlett replacing Sinden and Williams.

**BREAKING THE SILENCE**
The Pit (01-628 8795/638 8891)
Inspired by his own ancestors' history, Stephen Poliakoff's subtle, complex new play watches an aristocratic Russian family adapt to post-1917 upheaval, hardship and finally exile. With Daniel Massey and Gemma Jones.

## Out of Town

**BRISTOL: Old Vic Theatre Royal, King Street (0272 24388). Harvey by Mary Chase. Opens Wed at 7.15pm, until Apr 13, Mon-Wed at 7.15pm, Thurs-Sat at 7.45pm; matinées Thurs (not Mar 21 or Apr 11) at 3pm, Sat at 4pm. No perfs Apr 5 or 8**
Pulitzer Prize-winning comedy about a man and his invisible giant rabbit friend. Very suitable for Easter holiday outings. Directed by John David.

**MANCHESTER: Contact Theatre, Devas Street (061-273 5696). After Mafeking by Peter Bennett. Preview Tues at 7.30pm, opens Wed at 7.30pm. Until Apr 3, Wed-Sat Mar 23 at 7.30pm. In repertory**
The relationship between two South African men, one white, one black, whose private life has to be concealed for more than one reason. New play in a season of three, with *Face Value* by Cindy Artiste and *Green* by Anthony Clark.

**OLDHAM: Coliseum, Fairbottom Street (061-624 2829). Cleaning Windows by Bob Mason. Preview today at 2.30pm, opens today at 7.30pm. Until Apr 6, Tues-Sat at 7.30pm. No perf Apr 5**
World premiere of a play with songs which looks at George Formby in 1951 as he decided whether to move into television or go back on the stage. "Leaning of a Lamp-Post" and "Chinese Laundy Blues" are among the songs featured.

**ROTHERHAM: Civic Theatre, Catherine Street (0709 77150). Phoenix by David Storey. Opens Tues at 7.15pm, until Mar 23, Tues-Sat at 7.15pm**
Première professional prouction of a new play, by Century Theatre, directed by Kate Harwood and Paul Gibson, in which the theatre in a northern industrial town is threatened with demolition.

**Tony Patrick**

## FILMS



Mystique of the Marabar Caves: Peggy Ashcroft as Mrs Moore in A Passage to India

# Portents of an Indian summer

The curious thing about Sir David Lean is that everyone likes him except the critics. His films have been garlanded with awards, including 26 Oscars. *The Bridge on the River Kwai* has been seen by more people than any other film in the history of the cinema. He is held in awe by his fellow film makers.

And yet when the magazine *Sight and Sound* asked film critics from all over the world to nominate their all time "top ten", Lean's pictures were noticeable only by their absence. A single Japanese vote for *Brief Encounter* put him way down the list.

The specialist studies have largely ignored him, reserving their eulogies for directors with only a fraction of Lean's reputation and output. Even in his own country (Britain) there is little written about him and the buffs tend to congregate around Seth Holt and Terence Fisher.

How to explain this paradox? The critical case against Lean is that he is concerned more with the craft of the film than its art. His pleasure in making films seems to stem not from any great creative passion but the craftsman's love of using his materials.

It is an impression which Lean himself has done much to foster. He disclaims any motive deeper than to tell a story through the medium of cinema; a worthy ambition but not, perhaps, the stuff of which great films are made. Now comes *A Passage to India*, his first picture for 15 years, and the arguments will be breaking out all over again.

*A Passage to India* is a partial return to the smaller, more intimate subjects of Lean's early career. By the standards of his last few films – *Dr Zhivago* or *Ryan's Daughter* – it is relatively short and relatively cheap. Like the Dickens films and *Hobson's Choice*, it is based on an English literary classic, a genre in which Lean has been particularly at home.

Since current critical fashion is to prefer Lean in his early, British period, the portents for *A Passage to India* could be favourable. And whatever the reservations about Lean, he cannot be denied his handsome pictorial sense and gift for narrative. These may be virtues due for a comeback: Richard Attenborough's *Gandhi*, in technique very much a David Lean type of film, has pointed the way.

*A Passage to India* is nothing if not a good story, unfolding with an inevitable sense of logic up to that mysterious encounter in the Marabar caves in which the young Englishwoman, Miss Quested, may, or may not, have been raped by Dr Aziz. Rather than entrust the job to another scriptwriter, Lean adapted Forster's novel himself.

Surrounding himself with trusty collaborators like the designer John Box and director of photography Ernest Day (who was camera operator on *Lawrence of Arabia* and *Dr Zhivago*) Lean has cast the Australian actress, Judy Davis, as Miss Quested; Victor Banerjee, familiar from Satyajit Ray films, as Aziz; and Peggy Ashcroft as Mrs Moore.

Unlike our theatrical knights – Olivier, Richardson, Gielgud – Dame Peggy has made only a handful of films and has treated the cinema as an occasional diversion from a distinguished career on the stage. On the evidence of *A Passage to India*, the loss to the screen is considerable; and if she gets an Oscar on March 25 it will be richly deserved.

*A Passage to India* has had 11 Oscar nominations altogether so once again the film industry is poised to applaud a David Lean film; and the publicity machine has rolled so effectively that box office success seems assured. It only remains to ask: what will the critics say?

**Peter Waymark**

*A Passage to India* (PG) opens in London on Tues at the ABC Shaftesbury Avenue (01-836 8861) and ABC Fulham Road (01-370 2636).

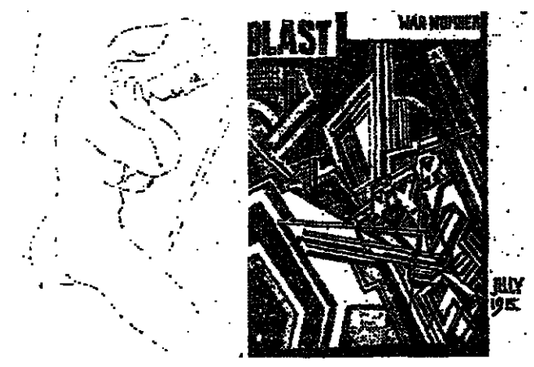
## GALLERIES

# Bold strokes between the covers

*Once upon a midnight dreary, while I pondered weak and weary*
*Over many a quaint and curious volume of forgotten lore*
*While I nodded, nearly napping suddenly there came a tapping*
*As of some one gently rapping....*

The first image in Manet to Hockney: Modern Artists' Illustrated Books at the V & A from Wednesday is of a man starting back in horror as a black bird swoops through his open casement. It is one of Edouard Manet's illustrations for *The Raven* by Edgar Allan Poe, quoted above, published in 1875. Although there are few other such dramatic pictures to see, the exhibition promises, like the raven in the poem, to keep browsers fully awake.

In the 1890s, *Livres d'artistes* became quite a craze in Paris. They were the brainchild of the energetic dealer Ambroise Vollard, who, the story goes, struck upon this particular idea while wandering along the Paris quay. He suddenly noticed a fine printed octavo volume, on sale there, and began to revel in the prospect of his artists – Bonnard, Redon, Picasso – contributing to similar limited editions, his own name nestling




Picasso's illustration for Six Contes fantasques de Maurice Toesca (1953, left) and Blast cover by Wyndham Lewis

close to theirs: *Ambroise Vollard, Editeur*.

The exhibition includes "Buffon" by Picasso – lithographs of animals with such animated strokes that they look like living sketches – and "Jazz" by Matisse, which has such strongly coloured "cut-out" shapes in purple, blue and yellow that the artist said he was blinded by them.

"Lots of people will think many of the great artists are not here. Aubrey Beardsley for example", says Mr Carol Hogben, the exhibition organizer. "But we limited ourselves to canvas-painting artists, asking "can we find him down in the Tate?"

Artistic ephemera, now regarded as of great art historical value, are also represented in full. There are passionate pamphlets on Futurism and a copy of the Vorticist manifesto "Blast".

Another type of illustrated leaflet can be seen at **The Topsy Turvy World, Moral Satire and Nonsense in the Popular Print**, just opened at the Goethe Institute. Throughout Europe from the 16th to the 19th century, it seems, the old jokes, if not the best, lasted the longest. With relish, the ox slaughters the butcher; grinning, the tree takes on anthropomorphic form and saws up the woodsman – a must for today's disaffected, all ecologists and animal rights campaigners.

Now aged 73, **Edward Wright** has stretched himself to an astonishing range of disciplines, as architect, painter, typographer, graphic designer and teacher. A touring tribute to him arrives tomorrow at Kettle's Yard, Cambridge. The exhibition poses a challenge to anyone suspicious of the polymath artist. Forget the question "but is it art?" and enjoy the show.

**Sarah Jane Checkland**

**"Manet to Hockney"** is at the V & A South Kensington (01-589 6371) from Wed until May 19. Mon-Thurs and Sat, 10am-5.30pm, Sun 2.30-5.50pm.
**"The Topsy Turvy World"** is at the Goethe Institute, 50 Princes Gate, London SW7 (01-581-3344) until April 27, Mon-Thur 12-8pm, Fri 12-6pm, Sat 10am-1pm.
**"Edward Wright"** is at Kettle's Yard, Northampton Street, Cambridge (0223-352124) from tomorrow until April 21, Tues-Sat 12.30-5.30pm Sun 2-5.30pm.

## Openings

**SIGNS OF THE TIMES:** Show to celebrate the 200th anniversary of this paper. Artefacts, manuscripts, engravings and paintings. Includes original reportage of Peterloo, the conquest of Everest, and the Crimea diary and sketchbooks of William Russell.
British Library Galleries, Great Russell Street, London WC1 (01-636 1544). From Fri until June 30, Mon-Sat 10am-5pm, Sun 2.30-6pm.

**ANOTHER VIEW OF IRELAND:** Work by Irish artists living in Britain. Includes Patrick Proctor, Liz Taggart, Tony O'Malley.
Five Dials Gallery, Neal Street, London WC2 (for information call Arts Hibernia 01-349 4224). From Tues until March 30, Mon-Sat 10am-6pm.

**AUGUSTUS LUNN AND DIANA MURPHY:** Revaluation of two artists, the first specializing in tempera, the second in watercolour. Both trained at the Royal College in the 1920s.
Michael Parkin Fine Art, 11 Motcomb Street, London SW1 (01-235 1845). From Wed until April 12, Mon-Fri 10am-6pm, Sat 10am-1pm.

**JOSEPH HERMAN:** Drawings, watercolours, from Scotland and Wales. Lecture by the artist on March 24 at 7.30pm.
Manor House Society, Manor House Centre of Judaism, 80 East End Road, London N3 (01-346 2288). From tomorrow until March 31, Mon and Wed 11am-4pm and 7.30-9.30pm, Tues, Thurs, Fri 11am-4pm, Sun 3-7.30pm.

## Openings

**EVERY PICTURE TELLS A STORY** (PG): Independent British film-maker James Scott follows his Oscar-winning short *A Shocking Accident* with an attrachve, personal feature about the early impoverished life of his father, the artist William Scott.
From Fri at the Minema (01-235 4225)

**THE RIVER** (PG): After *Places in the Heart* and *Country*, a further rural drama from Hollywood, with Mel Gibson and Sissy Spacek as farmers struggling to survive against flood waters, overdrafts and personal animosities
From Fri at the Plaza (01-437 1234)

**CLASS RELATIONS** (PG): Kafka's unfinished novel *America*, seen through the penetrating eyes of Jean-Marie Straub and Danièle Huillet, resolute masters of minimal cinema.
From Thurs at the Camden Plaza, for one week only (01-485 2443)

**MORONS FROM OUTER SPACE** (PG): *Not the Nine O'Clock News* stars Mel Smith and Griff Rhys Jones with an episodic comedy about three dim aliens.
From Fri at the Warner (01-439 0791). Classic Haymarket (01-839 1527). Classic Oxford Street (01-636 0310)

## Selected

**COUNTRY (PG)**
**Odeon Haymarket (930 2771)**
Jessica Lange (who also co-produced) and Sam Shepard struggling to keep family and farm together in the American Midwest. An impressive addition to the current cycle of rural roots movies.

**PLACES IN THE HEART (PG)**
**Classic Haymarket (839 1527)**
The latest film of writer-director Robert Benton takes him back profitably to his hometown origins in Texas. A carefully crafted rural drama set in the 1930s, with Sally Field as the indomitable widow battling to maintain her land.

**WETHERBY**
**Curzon West End Shaftesbury Avenue (499 3737)**
David Hare's absorbing film (which shared the main prize at the Berlin Film Festival) dissects Britain's social and emotional climate with flair and sensitivity. Crisp dialogue; fine performances, from Vanessa Redgrave and her daughter, Joely Richardson.

**AMADEUS (PG)**
**ABC Shaftesbury Avenue (836 8861)**
**ABC Fulham Road (370 2536)**
Peter Shaffer's celebrated play about the rivalry between Mozart and Salieri re-worked into a lavish screen spectacular.

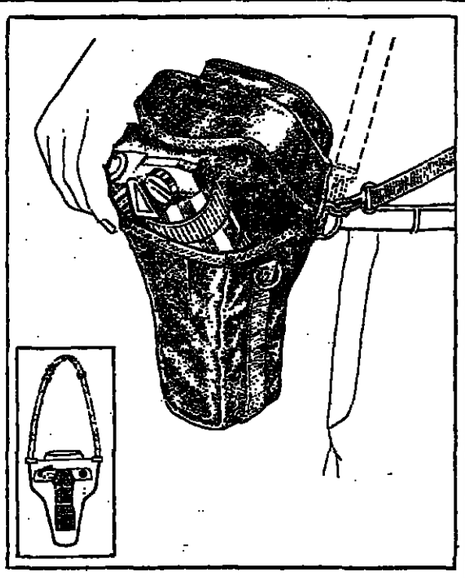
**Geoff Brown**


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## OPERA

**ROYAL OPERA**
**Covent Garden, London WC2 (01-240 1066)**
A new production of *Il barbiere di Siviglia* opens on Fri: Thomas Allen leads the cast, Alicia Nafé as Rosina, Enzo Dara as Bartolo and Deon van der Walt as Count Almaviva all make their debuts at the Royal Opera, as does Gabriele Ferro in the pit. This evening one last performance of Handel's *Samson* with Jon Vickers in the title role; and on Mon and Thurs Pier-Luigi Pizzi's production of Bellini's *I Capuleti e i Montecchi* with Tatiana Troyanos as Romeo and Katia Ricciarelli as Giulietta. All performances start at 7.30pm.

**ENGLISH NATIONAL OPERA**
**Coliseum, St Martin's Lane, London WC2 (01-836 3161)**
Nicholas Hytner's illuminating and entertaining new production of *Xerxes* is not to be missed. Ann Murray leads the cast and Valerie Masterson, Lesley Garrett and Christopher Robson provide strong support. Just one performance this week on Fri at 7pm, conducted by Sir Charles Mackerras. Anthony Besch's revival of Rossini's medieval farce, *Count Ory*, returns tonight and on Thurs at 7.30pm, conducted by David Parry and with John Brecknock and Isobel Buchanan as the Count and Countess. *Fidelio* returns on Wed and Mar 23 at 7.30pm with Josephine Barstow as the Leonore.

**CAMDEN FESTIVAL**
**Nereid Gallery, British Museum, Great Russell Street, London WC1. (All bookings: 01-388 1394)**
Opera at the Festival starts on Wed at 7.30pm with a concert performance of a rare work in a rare and beautiful setting. Caccini's *Euridice* is performed by the New London Consort.

**ROYAL NORTHERN COLLEGE OF MUSIC**
**124 Oxford Road, Manchester (061-273 4504)**
The RNCM students presents a particularly enterprising spring opera bill this year, with Handel's *Tasso* later in the month, and, this week, a production of Britten's *Billy Budd*, conducted by Opera North's David Lloyd-Jones tonight and Tues, with further performances on Mar 24 and 27 at 7.15pm.

**Hilary Finch**

## CONCERTS

# After Handel, the Bachanalia

After a month of hallelujahs for Handel's tercentenary, fanfares are now sounding for J.S. Bach. The two composers were born in Germany just one month apart, and Bach's 300th anniversary falls this Thursday. A rich programme of Bachanalia is planned that should easily match the splendour of the Handel festivities, both this week and throughout the year.

Until a few years ago, large scale performances of Bach were always the rule. This is no longer true, now that fashion favours a return to the smaller forces and period instruments of Bach's time. But the Bach Choir has resisted fashion, and on Thursday promises to fill the Albert Hall with a birthday B Minor Mass, with the English Chamber Orchestra, and Sir David Willcocks conducting.

The choir was formed in 1876 to give the first performance in England of the Mass, which it sang again at Bach's bicentenary, also in the Albert Hall. Reviewing that concert, George Bernard Shaw called the choir "a body of ladies and gentlemen" – a description which is still apt today, according to the choir's secretary: "We have a dozen doctors and as many lawyers. Very useful on foreign trips." The choir has maintained its tradition of singing Bach "and other works of excellence" ever since.

Thus Thursday's performance might, if anything, be called authentic Victorian. Instead of a baroque-sized choir of 30, David Willcocks has to control nearer 300. After 25 years as musical director of the Bach Choir, this no longer causes him a dilemma.

"You can approach Bach in two ways: authentic or not. I'm doing what Bach might have done were he alive today. Few churches are big enough to make a performance of the Mass economical, so we use the Albert Hall. So then we need a large choir and orchestra, with modern instruments, if we're to be heard. But this mustn't be an excuse to turn it into a wash of noise. Each musical texture must be audible."



Looking for authenticity: Sir David Willcocks

In spite of having conducted the B Minor Mass so many times, Willcocks still makes new discoveries, and regards it as "one of the great works of all time". Bach was more modest. He apologized for "so trifling a work", although he spent six years, from 1732, working on it. At the same time, as Cantor of St Thomas's, Leipzig, he produced cantatas, instrumental pieces and organ works of every kind, but no opera. Had he done so, he might have won in his lifetime the international fame enjoyed by Handel.

The closest Bach came to opera was in the dramatic music of the Passions, of which only those according to St Matthew and St John remain complete today. A third, the *St Mark Passion*, has been reconstructed from various sources and receives its first London performance this week, given by The English Bach Festival, conductor Richard Hickox, in Westminster Abbey. Here, though, baroque authenticity will be observed to the last detail, for those who prefer their Bach neat.

Finally, Francis Grier's performance of *The Art of the Fugue* (part 1) at the Festival Hall on Wednesday is a fitting reminder that some of Bach's greatest works were those for organ. This was his last composition. After his death in 1750, copper plates for an edition of *The Art of the Fugue* attracted so little interest they were sold off as scrap.

Since then, the price of copper has fallen.

**Fiona Maddocks**

**Wed, 5.55pm, Royal Festival Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, credit cards 01-928 8800)**
Francis Grier (organ) plays Bach's *The Art of the Fugue*.

**Thurs, 7.30pm, Royal Albert Hall (01-589 8212)**
The Bach Choir performs the *Mass in B Minor* with the English Chamber Orchestra conducted by *Sir David Willcocks*. Soloists include Felicity Lott (soprano), Stephen Roberts (baritone).

**Thurs, 7pm, Westminster Abbey (English Bach Festival box office, 01-730 1456)**
*The English Bach Festival's St Mark Passion*, conductor Richard Hickox, soprano Heather Harper.

**Other Bach tercentenary celebrations include:**

**Thurs, 7.45pm, Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, credit cards 01-928 8800)**
The London Bach Society and the Steinitz Bach Players perform the Brandenburg Concerto No 6 and three cantatas. Soloists include Dame Janet Baker and Brian Rayner Cook

**Thurs, 8pm, Sheldonian Theatre, Oxford (0865 864056)**
The choir of New College, Oxford, sings the *St John Passion*, with Philip Cave as the Evangelist.

# Sacred and profane

**The Camden Festival provides unusual old venues for concerts, starting on Tuesday at 7.30pm with "Wordly and Sinful Pleasures", 15th century music by Musica Reservata, in the Old Hall of Lincoln's Inn. On March 25 at 7.30pm the Gabrieli Consort and Players offer "Music for Dresden and Venice" in the 1556 Gray's Inn Hall.**
**The Westminster Baroque Ensemble give "An Evocation of Charles Burney's 1770 European Journey" at the 1739 Thomas Coram Foundation, at 7.30pm on March 29. On March 30 the Martin Best Medieval Ensemble presents medieval French songs and instrumental pieces at Old St Pancras Church.**

**Max Harrison**

Details from Camden Festival Box Office, Shaw Theatre, 100 Euston Road, London NW1 (01-388 1394, credit cards 01-387 6293)

## Selected

**FRAGMENTE STILLE**
**Today, 2pm, Almeida Theatre, Almeida Street, London N1 (01-359 4404)**
A stimulating programme by the LaSalle Quartet includes Nono's *Fragmente Stille, an Diotima* of 1980, Beethoven's *Grosse Fuge* Op 133 and Berg's Quartet Op 3.

**AURIOL QUARTET**
**Mon, 1.10pm, St Anne and St Agnes's, Gresham Street, London EC2 (01-769 2677)**
Bartók's Quartet No 1, Gershwin's Lullaby and the Canzonetta from Mendelssohn's Quartet Op 12.

**IGOR OISTRAKH**
**Wed, 7.45pm, Queen Elizabeth Hall, South Bank, London SE1 (01-928 3191, credit cards 01-928 8800)**
The great violinist plays Bach's Sonata BWV 1014, Beethoven's "Kreutzer" Sonata, and much Paganini.

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# THE ARTS

## Television

# Stuffed and pickled

**Just Another Day** (BBC 2) provided a short glimpse into a British institution, the Natural History Museum, which has become almost as venerable as its lifeless occupants – perhaps even more so, now that the presenter, John Pitman, revealed that the dinosaur is made of plastic and that the large blue whale is currently undergoing cosmetic surgery (and no doubt a blue rinse).

But the museum is still a Victorian treasure house, with such a profusion of stuffed things and mounted things, such a wealth of pickled mammals and embalmed spiders, that there is a distinct note of Miss Havisham in its echoing halls. "Everything here is dead", Mr Pitman announced with an insouciance that may not have been entirely feigned. In fact the place was described as the "Mecca of taxidermists" although the crocodiles, at least, seemed to be made up entirely of children.

But it is the strength of this series that it depicts the anonymous human activity which takes place in institutions such as this, and that it records one day in the life of those generally unacknowledged or even unnoticed workers who sustain what is undoubtedly a complex operation – in last night's case, Mr Pitman seemed to treat them as specimens no less exotic than the creatures petrified within the glass cases.

Here was the Hungarian refugee, Frank, who polishes the plastic dinosaur and who has grown sentimentally attached to his charge; here were the women of the plant-pressing department giggling over their mistakes; here was the superintendent of something nicknamed the "pickling factory". Its uses were unclear, but I suspect that this is where the lost children are taken. And so, all in all, this was a charming documentary, complete with a taxidermist's joke (which had something to do with the ambiguous meaning of "mounted") and a scientist's learned disquisition on the nature of sprats.

**Peter Ackroyd**

## Rock

# Shake 'n' shimmy

### Tina Turner

Wembley Arena

As Tina Turner bounded onstage for her second encore, effortlessly dancing her quickstep rag-doll shake 'n' shimmy, it was indeed difficult to believe that the woman who, so the story goes, taught Mick Jagger to dance is now less than four years short of her fiftieth birthday.

Her vocal prowess remains undiminished, while her advancing years only seem to enhance the frisson generated by her athletic sexuality. Wearing an exotic spangled slip for most of the performance, and with her dishmop shock of brown hair crowning a figure of complete womanly strength and health, she performed with rare vitality, choosing material taken mostly from the *Private Dancer* album, the recording released almost a year ago which confirmed such a splendid renaissance in her career.

From picking cotton in the fields in the 1940s, to soul revue star in the 1960s and flavour of the year in the 1980s is an unrivalled achievement, and maybe in part ascribed to her widely interpretive skills as a singer allowing her the freedom to advance in step with changing musical patterns.

This ability to tackle a variety of songs by other successful artists was especially apparent when she sang ZZ Top's "Legs" followed by Bruce Springsteen's "Dancing In The Dark", endearingly performed with lyric sheet in hand. Slower numbers such as Lennon and McCartney's "Help" and Mark Knopfler's "Private Dancer" revealed the extraordinary range and power of her voice, though on "I Can't Stand The Rain" her exuberance threatened to overwhelm the fragile structure of the song.

The band performed with gusto and looked game for a laugh; the beefcake posturings of keyboard/saxophone player Tim Capello drew a quizzical "What do you think of him, girls?" from Turner, quite clearly the woman in charge.

For her encore she brought Canadian Bryan Adams onstage to perform a duet called "It's Only Love". Adams, who with his own band had played an invigorating opening set, sang resolutely, but had difficulty matching Turner's power and charisma.

**David Sinclair**

## Radio

# Listening in

In my more neurotic moments – and the news off the past few weeks has done nothing to make them fewer – I find myself wondering if MI5 are keeping an eye on me. Or the Special Branch. Or both. Or even – such is my condition – whether this very confession may not provoke them into doing so. And if they do so, and if they find me clean (is anybody *that* clean?), then what will stop some person in high places standing up and declaring me to be a long-time Marxist and subversive?

Such thoughts came crowding in on me as I listened to Mike Walker's **Spoiling Egypt** (Radio 4, March 11, repeating tomorrow; director, Peter King). In this play, Tom Lee (*Brian Cox*) transfers from the Met to the Special Branch where he is assigned to the surveillance of Ami Pealsart, a South African dissident and his associates. Scrutinizing photos of a rally, Lee picks out a man making off in a taxi. He traces the taxi, then the man. It is Bryant (Norman Jones), a successful, hard-working, self-made business man, faithful husband, father of a much-loved only daughter. Can he be part of the drug-dealing operation in which Pealsart is thought to be implicated? Surely not. And yet a distorted scrap of a bugged conversation suggests otherwise. Lee fixes up phone taps on Bryant, illegally, covertly wires up his house, initiates an exhaustive investigation. None of it produces anything of substance. Bryant is a man of more than average probity.

Unfortunately Tom Lee is not. He has fought and kicked his way up from poor beginnings, he is ambitious, hard, desperate for results. Surreptitiously he begins to lean on Bryant: a word to the Revenue about a minor tax evasion, another to his victim's bank . . . Things begin to go wrong for Bryant, then very wrong and he cannot make out why. The pressure is on: now he will begin to crumble. And so he does, but not as Lee had expected. He cuts his own throat, while his unknown tormentor, seated several miles away before a loudspeaker, listens while he does it – helpless and even momentarily appalled.

All this was very well done, economically written – the odd redundancy apart – with a nice laconic line in dialogue to indicate that Mr Walker has come a long way since he wrote the rather verbose Brazilian trilogy which has been repeated as Radio 4's *Afternoon Play* these last three Saturdays. At all events, the writing and the play's impetus and atmosphere were enough to counterbalance the odd doubt as to whether anyone, even a policeman as obsessive, not to say damn near psychopathic as Tom Lee, would have gone so far or been allowed to go so far on so little evidence.

Brian Cox's superb acting also helped in this respect and so, I'm certain, did an underlying them of some real weight: the point about Lee is that, fundamentally flawed himself, he cannot believe that a man can be as "pure" as Bryant. Or if he can, then he, Lee, has an all too credible and well attested human interest in destroying him.

In its different way, I suppose that Peter Whalley's **Neighbourhood Watch** (Radio 4, March 9 and 11; director, Robert Cooper) had a point or two in common with *Spoiling Egypt*. When the police start asking questions, which of us has nothing to hide? Answer: none. Mr Whalley's play, however, was more of a comedy which followed the events in a suburban close after Roy Isherwood's wife, Janet has disappeared and the police have dug his garden. Should the neighbours stand by him? With misgivings, Lesley and David invite him for a meal, asking Barbara and Sebastian for moral support.

They misgive because Lesley turns out to have put the police on to Roy, while David, we learn, has been having an affair with the promiscuous Janet. And maybe even neighbour Sebastian has known Janet in the more than social sense as well. The lady finally unvanishes and Roy, goaded by the discovery that she knew she had dropped him in it, finishes her off in fact.

A jolly can of worms, then, though jollier in the description than the realization, for *Neighbourhood Watch* never seemed to me quite certain what sort of play it was: not quite comedy, not quite thriller, not quite social drama... I don't at all insist that plays should always be precisely something, but they do then have to convey a strong individuality of their own which this really didn't.

However, the works of Whalley are those of William Shakespeare when compared with the latest incumbent of what threatens to become the Sunday thriller serial slot. Colin Shaw's **Gold of the Conquerer** (Radio 4; director, Jane Graham) is set in what might be Colombia in a mixture of Bogota and Cartagena. There are bodies, brutal cops, thinly veiled threats, thinly veiled women, riches beyond the dreams of human avarice, etc, and I've had enough after episode one

**David Wade**

## Theatre in Manchester and Paris

# A cycle of psychic torment

### Long Day's Journey into Night

Royal Exchange, Manchester



**Jonathan Hackett as the rolling dipsomaniac Jamie**

Braham Murray, the director of this opening production in the Royal Exchange's spring season, considers *Long Day's Journey* "the greatest naturalistic play ever written". A lot of people would agree with that, including the designer of the National Theatre version who trekked out to the O'Neill House in Connecticut to work out where the family had kept the piano – this being the one detail missing from the stage directions.

But apart from the green-shaded table lamp meanly wired to an unlit chandelier, Mr Murray neglects these hallowed instructions; and all his designer, Johanna Bryant, supplies, is a central table, surrounded by four gilt chairs on which the Tyrones conduct their lacerating inquest on their past lives. The result is far from naturalistic.

Speaking practically, such a design is an inescapable consequence of the Exchange's arena stage. But it also expresses a central fact about the play; namely that this solid family home is no home at all – merely a summer place, assembled like a stage set by the old matinee idol father, to delude the neighbours and even himself into a dream of domestic harmony. What we see on the Exchange floor is a psychic prison, like Sartre's hell, where four creatures are perpetually bonded together in an inescapable cycle of mutual torment.

The denuded setting has also clarified the articulation of the play. O'Neill may be leading the spectator into a labyrinth of memory where everything is simultaneously present, but you also become unusually aware of how he reconciles this with narrative involving real time and immediate events: building the first three acts around the day's meals, floating huge retrospective rows on jobs in the garden, on card games that never get started.

Surprisingly, the production makes small use of the theatre's sonorous perimeter for atmospheric effects: even the famous foghorn hardly contributes to the characters' fog-bound relationships. And when it comes to the performances, once again, it is lucid articulation that sets the style. What you notice is less the power of the Tyrones' feelings than the machinery that activates their passions. Each has his own set of obsessions and resentments: each, in turn sees his chance to play the aggressor, over-plays it to the extent of delivering a mortal wound, and then retreats into heartbroken apologies ready for the whole process to begin again.

The casting also amounts to a family affair: headed by two of the company's founders, Dilys Hamlett and James Maxwell, renewing previous domestic relationships with Jonathan Hackett and Michael Mueller as the sons. They play with the spontaneous rhythms and relaxation of long familiarity; but the only performance that takes the text by the throat is Miss Hamlett's Mary.

Previously I have found her a chilling actress, but this play has provoked her to a hitherto unsuspected range of desperate ferocity. The performance is beautifully graded, beginning with the nervous twitching of her swollen fingers when she feels the presence of suspicious eyes. When her suppressed feelings do burst out, as if torn up from her bowels, the effect is shocking enough to make you look away. She is also superbly in command of those near-comic lines where Mary sets out to say something kind and ends by inadvertently inserting a dagger.

Mr Maxwell shares this skill, as in the speech solicitously offering her an automobile ride and then working through to a bitter complaint about the cost of the car. The trouble with the performance, though, is that it conveys nothing of the old actor, and translates James Tyrone into a pillar of Ibsenite rectitude. Of the brothers, both are flawed by the poetic quotations, and Mr Hackett's rolling dipsomaniac Jamie stops well short of his real sardonic fury. Mr Mueller's Edmund, starved, sulphurous, and deeply filial, is the best account I have seen of this treacherous part.

**Irving Wardle**

# The whirlpool keeps on whirling

### Tailleur pour dames

Théâtre des Bouffes Parisiens, Paris

**The Bouffes Parisiens, standing on the site of Offenbach's theatre of the same name, could scarcely be a more appropriate house for Georges Feydeau's first major success, *Tailleur pour dames*, forgotten these many years. None of Offenbach's music is actually heard during the two hours' whizzing course of *Tailleur*, but he would have appreciated the use of Gounod in a scene of majestic impropriety – and much else besides.**

**At the age of 22 Feydeau had already perceived that the basic requirements of farce are a set with a minimum of three doors (very prettily designed by Pace), one worried husband and two female battleaxes – with a poodle thrown in just to top up the already full measure. The first act has elements in common with the plot of *Fledermaus*, itself based on a French comedy written 15 years before *Tailleur* by Meilhac and Halévy. There is a husband worried because, having lost his house keys at the Opera Ball, he has to spend the night on a bench outside his home. Even worse, he has failed to seduce the wife of one of his rich patients.**

**Thereafter Feydeau shows a turn of pace which is rather smarter than that of *Fledermaus*, or Meilhac and Halévy's *Le Reveillon*. In order to improve his chances as a seducer, the husband, Moulineaux, becomes temporarily a couturier as well as a doctor and Feydeau makes much of the fact that both professions involve undressing ladies as well as dressing them. And there are basics for a Feydeau plot: a situation where practically everyone on stage is someone else's lover, past, present or potential.**

**Moulineaux himself stays at the centre of the sexual whirlpool, constantly revolving, like the watermill his name suggests, in trying to keep two yards ahead of the next calamity breathing down his neck. In Feydeau deceptions breed like an epidemic, ever increasing in virulence and in the number of victims. The technique – and the character – Feydeau was to use time and again.**



A young Feydeau offers a script to a theatre director

**At the Bouffes Pierre Arditi, a familiar face on screen, plays Moulineaux with the kind of frantic desperation that looks back to the great days of Jacques Charon. His charm and his slightly greying good looks make him a natural for Feydeau: a clown who immediately puts the audience on his side. He is surrounded by a posse of actresses who would make the life of any Parisian dressmaker highly desirable, led by Catherine Morin as the very natural object of his desires and Valerie Rojan as the wife who could find another husband any day of the week. Annie Savarin is a battleaxe in the Margaret Dumont mould.**

**The director, Bernard Murat, keeps the whirpool whirling without respite and, blessedly, without interval. The National Theatre, after their success with Feydeau's *A Little Hotel on the Side*, might take a look at *Tailleur pour dames*. Indeed John Mortimer may have been there already.**

**John Higgins**

## Concerts

### LSO/Abbado

Barbican

"Mahler, Vienna and the Twentieth Century" this festival is called, and there they all were on Thursday night, if in reverse order. We began with Ligeti's *Lontano*, written in 1967 and therefore, within the context of a retrospective, offering a long view back through the century. Then the programme homed in on Vienna with Berg's Violin Concerto, coming finally to Mahler for the First Symphony, which was an apt choice for this first concert in a luxury cycle due to continue until October. One's only wish must be that some of the performances will be rather better.

*Lontano*, though, had a quite satisfactory measure of cool colour and pianissimo. Its title suggests distance in a spatial sense, and suggests one hears its long, quiet, sustained sounds as features of a far landscape. But it is a vision, too, into the distance of history, rediscovering afresh the wonder of simple intervals, even octaves – and here some memory of the Mahler symphony might have been triggered. Unfortunately the extreme softness and transparency of the piece call for an outstanding performance from the audience, and there was one resolute cougher to disturb the tense calm

Meanwhile, it was replaced by a performance of the Berg Violin Concerto ennobled by the presence of Salvatore Accardo. He discreetly insisted on his separateness right from the start by choosing his own slightly slower tempo for the introductory bars in which he must alternate with the orchestra. Thereafter this was a display of superb confidence and precision, the "angel" of Berg's dedication, no ethereal waif but glowing and golden. I cannot remember before hearing so many of the cascades so finely in place, or the double-stopping so sweet, or the final high G so stingingly secure. Maybe it could all have been made to mean rather more, but when the accompaniment was sloshing around in such disarray, it was difficult not be thankful for technical command alone.

The symphony had no such stiffening, except the heroic efforts of Claudio Abbado as conductor, and he had too much stacked against him: first violins sloppy in downward runs of quavers; violas and cellos distinctly embarrassed and rhythmically confused when any light was shone on them; brass switching erratically from splendour to mess; and woodwind failing to gel.

**Paul Griffiths**

### Chamber Orchestra of Europe/Davis

Queen Elizabeth Hall

This gala concert, given in the presence of the Duchess of Gloucester, was altogether a splendid occasion. For one thing, the playing of the Chamber Orchestra of Europe was always polished. For another, the audience was large (and evidently well-heeled). And for yet another the charity that stands to benefit is the worthy one of Help a Child to See, which aims to provide Great Ormond Street hospital with a research, teaching and care centre for visually handicapped children.

At the heart of the programme was a towering performance of Beethoven's Fourth Piano Concerto, in which the soloist was Stephen Bishop-Kovacevich. For much of the first movement he held himself in reserve, but when the time came for emotional explosiveness his range of expression was wide indeed. He saw the Andante con moto second movement as music of the darkest hue, his playing answering the orchestra's heavy-hearted interpolations in tones of introspective resignation. And with Sir Colin Davis driving his orchestra hard, the emotional release of the finale was effected with dashing brilliance.

On either side of this work, there was Mozart, first the stately C major of the overture of *La clemenza di Tito* and later the Symphony No 39 in E flat. In the symphony one might have quibbled at details: the timpani, for example, should surely have been played with harder sticks, and my preferences would have been for an Andante con moto that flowed with more ease. But Sir Colin adores this music, and here it was obvious from the sounds they made that his orchestra share his enthusiasm.

**Stephen Pettitt**

### Nash Ensemble

Wigmore Hall

The Nash Ensemble signed off its Italian series on Wednesday night in high style. The flourish came not from the most obvious place, those last exuberant bars of Schumann's Piano Quartet: that was, on the whole, a disappointingly flat performance. But Sarah Walker was the evening's soloist, and her mischievously character-sized Berio Sequenza III certainly got the salivary glands working

Dallapiccola, who had been represented in the series by both early and later works, was celebrated by his *Rencesvals*, three extracts from *Le Chanson de Roland* composed, significantly, at about the same time as his opera, *Il prigioniero*. These are thrilling and moving fragments: extreme in their internal conflicts of dynamic and pitch, spare and suggestive in their histrionic pictorialism.

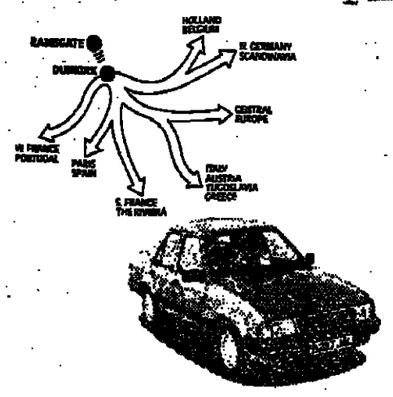
Refreshment came in yet another of the series' little pieces of buried treasure: Verlaine's *Fêtes galantes*, set by Riccardo Pick-Mangiagalli. Compared with Debussy's the Italian-Bohemian's settings have a nursery-rhyme ingenuousness about them, a gaiety and generosity of spirit which Walker communicated with nicely-judged tone. Unlike Alfredo Casella's six-movement *Serenata* for clarinet, bassoon, violin, cello and trumpet, these four songs never outstayed their welcome. But even here, the astringent, criss-crossing violin and cello registers of the Cavatina and the elusive sonorities of the Nocturne made it well worth a hearing.

Any excuse for Puccini's *I crisantemi*, even when, as in this rather opaque rendering, its dying fall has more about it of the funeral parlour of its dedicatee than the perfumes of *Manon Lescaut*.

**Hilary Finch**


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| 132⅜ | 112⅛ | Treas | 14¾% 1998 | 122⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 12.411 | 11.775 |
| 114⅜ | 98⅛ | Treas | 12¾% 1998 | 107⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 11.961 | 11.464 |
| 97⅜ | 84⅛ | Exch | 9¾% 1998 | 90⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 10.858 | 11.047 |
| 116⅜ | 103⅛ | Exch | 12¾% 1998 | 105⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 11.586 | 11.434 |
| 114⅜ | 98⅛ | Treas | 12% 1998 | 105⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 11.044 | 11.269 |
| 102⅜ | 90⅛ | Conv | 10¾% 1998 | 95⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 10.978 | 11.175 |

OVER FIFTEEN YEARS

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 122⅜ | 108⅛ | Treas | 13% 2000 | 114 | | | 11.882 | 11.366 |
| 118⅜ | 111⅛ | Treas | 14% 1998-01 | 120⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 12.050 | 11.629 |
| 99⅜ | 88⅛ | Treas | 11¾% 2000-02 | 109⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 11.456 | 11.292 |
| 100⅜ | 89⅛ | Conv | 10% 2002 | 92⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 10.891 | 10.843 |
| 117⅜ | 103⅛ | Treas | 13¼% 2000-03 | 115⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 11.773 | 11.419 |
| 118⅜ | 100⅛ | Treas | 11¾% 2001-04 | 103⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 11.061 | 10.955 |
| 101⅛ | 45⅜ | Fund | 3½% 1999-04 | 49⅜ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 7.327 | 10.439 |
| 101⅜ | 94⅛ | Exch | 10½% 2005 | 100⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 10.616 | 10.634 |
| 122⅜ | 107⅛ | Treas | 12¾% 2003-05 | 116⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 11.161 | 10.972 |
| 97⅜ | 76⅛ | Treas | 9% 2003-07 | 87⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 10.013 | 10.347 |
| 117⅜ | 98⅛ | Treas | 11¾% 2003-07 | 111⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 11.081 | 10.940 |
| 118⅜ | 102⅛ | Treas | 13¼% 2004-08 | 118⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 11.291 | 11.011 |
| 95⅜ | 78⅛ | Treas | 9% 2008-12 | 90⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 9.981 | 9.883 |
| 85⅜ | 72⅛ | Treas | 7¾% 2012-15 | 79⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 9.548 | 10.163 |
| 124⅜ | 109⅛ | Exch | 12% 2013-17 | 116⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 10.587 | 10.515 |

UNDATED

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 41⅜ | 35⅜ | Consols | 3½% | 39⅜ | | | 10.486 | 10.486 |
| 37⅜ | 32⅜ | War Ln | 3½% | 34⅜ | | | 10.340 | 10.340 |
| 48⅜ | 41⅜ | Conv | 4% | 41⅜ | | | 9.661 | 9.661 |
| 31⅜ | 27⅜ | Consols | 2½% | 28⅜ | | | 8.888 | 8.888 |
| 23⅜ | 20⅜ | Treas | 2½% | 21⅜ | | | 10.368 | 10.484 |

INDEX-LINKED

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 111 | 98⅛ | Treas IL | 2% 1988 | 110⅛ | | | 2.142 | 4.215 |
| 97⅜ | 86⅛ | Treas IL | 2% 1990 | 97⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 2.172 | 3.694 |
| 114⅜ | 98⅛ | Treas IL | 2% 1996 | 114⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 2.269 | 3.354 |
| 103⅜ | 90⅛ | Treas IL | 2% 2001 | 103⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 2.280 | 3.269 |
| 107⅜ | 93⅛ | Treas IL | 2% 2003 | 107⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 2.318 | 3.163 |
| 104⅜ | 91⅛ | Treas IL | 2% 2006 | 103⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 2.283 | 3.068 |
| 97⅜ | 85⅛ | Treas IL | 2% 2009 | 96⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 2.270 | 3.053 |
| 97⅜ | 85⅛ | Treas IL | 2% 2011 | 96⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 2.270 | 3.053 |
| 97⅜ | 85⅛ | Treas IL | 2% 2016 | 96⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 2.270 | 3.053 |
| 97⅜ | 85⅛ | Treas IL | 2% 2020 | 96⅛ | +¹⁄₁₆ | | 2.280 | 3.070 |

BREWERIES

| 1984/85 High | Low | Company | Price | Chge | Gross Div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 190 | 138 | Allied-Lyons | 180 | | 10.5 | 5.8 | 10.6 |
| 544 | 360 | Bass | 536 | | 18.4 | 3.4 | 13.5 |
| 178 | 130 | Bell (Arthur) | 168 | | 9.8 | 5.8 | 10.1 |
| 298 | 208 | Bellhaven | 276 | | 9.65 | 3.5 | 28.5 |
| 298 | 208 | Boddingtons | 298 | | 9.65 | 3.2 | 11.7 |
| 298 | 208 | Brown (Matthew) | 298 | | 11.7 | 3.9 | 16.4 |
| 298 | 128 | Bulmer (H P) | 198 | | 7.8 | 3.9 | 5.8 |
| 515 | 353 | Clark (Matthew) | 515 | | 18.5 | 3.6 | 14.4 |
| 550 | 393 | Devenish (J A) | 545 | | 18.4 | 3.4 | 15.6 |
| 324 | 244 | Distillers | 320 | | 20.5 | 6.4 | 11.2 |
| 448 | 290 | Forsiters Bunco | 448 | | 13.09 | 2.9 | 11.7 |
| 178 | 118 | Grunell Walley | 178 | | 6.4 | 3.6 | 12.5 |
| 198 | 148 | Greene King | 198 | | 9.4 | 4.7 | 12.5 |
| 298 | 118 | Gunnesse (A) | 267 | | 9.2 | 3.4 | 11.5 |
| 354 | 277 | Hardys & Hansons | 348 | | 21.5 | 6.1 | 11.5 |
| 77 | 58 | Highland Dist | 77 | | 2.5 | 3.3 | 15.8 |
| 198 | 134 | Invergordon Dist | 198 | | 9.1 | 4.5 | 9.1 |
| 178 | 128 | Irish Dist | 145 | | 6.5 | 4.1 | |
| 98 | 68 | Marston Thompson | 98 | | 3.5 | 3.6 | 14.1 |
| 198 | 158 | Morland | 198 | | 8.2 | 4.1 | 11.4 |
| 288 | 208 | S A Brewries | 288 | | | | |
| 744 | 544 | Scot & New | 744 | | 7.2 | 1.0 | 12.2 |
| 537½ | 398 | Seagram | 537½ | | | | |
| 288 | 208 | Stock | 288 | | 14.4 | 5.1 | 11.4 |
| 198 | 128 | Whitbread 'A' | 185 | | 9.2 | 4.7 | 10.2 |
| 227 | 127 | Do 'B' | 185 | | 9.2 | 4.7 | 10.2 |
| 178 | 138 | Whitbread Inv | 170 | | 8.2 | 4.8 | 10.2 |
| 314 | 204 | Wolverhmpton & D | 298 | | 10.5 | 3.7 | 12.7 |
| 350 | 235 | Young 'A' | 295 | | 8.6 | 2.9 | 18.4 |

BANKS DISCOUNT HP

| 1984/85 High | Low | Company | Price | Chge | Gross Div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 178 | 128 | Allied Irish | 135 | +2 | 8.6 | 6.7 | |
| 151 | 60 | Anglo-Amer (Henry) | 96 | | 3.69 | 7.7 | 30.2 |
| 368 | 248 | Aus New Z | 278 | +2 | 28.0 | 10.1 | |
| 18⅝ | 10⅝ | Bankamerica | 17⅞ | | | | |
| 298 | 236 | Bank Of Ireland | 290 | | 17.09 | 8.8 | |
| 7⅝ | 4⅝ | Bank Leumi Israel | 5¹⁵⁄₁₆ | | | | |
| 245 | 185 | Bank Leumi UK | 220 | | 14.5 | 6.6 | 12.8 |
| 508 | 358 | Bank Of Scotland | 472 | | 29.7 | 6.4 | 6.7 |
| 554 | 434 | Barclays | 538 | +2 | 37.1b | 6.9 | 6.9 |
| 445 | 308 | Brown Shipley | 408 | | 12.1 | 3.0 | 12.7 |
| 543 | 393 | Cater Allen | 543 | | 41.3 | 7.6 | 9.5 |
| 31 | 21⅝ | Cyprus | 28 | | 2.1 | 7.4 | 8.5 |
| 508 | 398 | Chase Manhattan | 5¹⁵⁄₁₆ | | 35.4 | 7.5 | |
| 7⅝ | 5⅝ | Citicorp | 6¹⁵⁄₁₆ | | 0.06 | 5.3 | |
| 78 | 48 | Ohio | 67 | | 5.1 | 7.7 | 12.2 |
| 131 | 108 | Com Bank Wales | 120 | | 10.1 | 10.1 | 6.1 |
| 49⅜ | 38 | Commerzbank | 2¹⁵⁄₁₆ | | 6.0 | 0.1 | |
| 117⅜ | 61⅛ | Deutsche Bank | 2114 | | 1200 | 10.8 | |

| 1984/85 High | Low | Company | Price | Chge | Gross Div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 202 | 156 | Aberdeen Constr | 182 | +4 | 9.4 | 6.2 | 8.2 |
| 282 | 156 | Amec | 251 | +1 | 13.0 | 6.2 | 10.2 |
| 78 | 38 | Arnolite | 38 | | | | 6.2 |
| 118 | 78 | Bowaters | 118 | | 6.1 | 5.2 | 10.5 |
| 238 | 223 | BPB Industries | 235 | | 10.4 | 4.4 | 9.1 |
| 251 | 223 | Baggeridge Brick | 235 | | 10.4 | 4.4 | 11.0 |
| 188 | 154 | Barratt Dev | 188 | | 8.8 | 4.7 | 6.0 |
| | | Beechwood | | | | | |
| 164 | 118 | Bellway | 118 | | 10.0 | 8.6 | 7.7 |
| 78 | 58 | Bestobell Concrete | 68 | | 3.4 | 5.1 | 11.5 |
| 288 | 208 | Bett Bros | 288 | | 14.5 | 5.0 | 9.6 |
| 288 | 208 | Blockleys | 288 | | 20.6 | 7.1 | 14.0 |
| 288 | 208 | Blue Circle | 288 | | 22.1 | 7.7 | 8.7 |
| 88 | 48 | Breedon&Cloud Hill | 68 | | 4.6 | 6.7 | 17.7 |
| 48 | 28 | Brickhouse Dudley | 38 | | 2.5 | 6.6 | 12.4 |
| 88 | 58 | Br Dredging | 77 | | 4.5 | 5.8 | 7.5 |
| 88 | 58 | Brownhill Jackson | 77 | | 4.5 | 5.8 | 9.0 |
| 178 | 118 | Bryants | 178 | | 12.5 | 7.0 | 8.5 |
| 77 | 58 | Burnett & Hallam | 68 | | 3.5 | 5.1 | 9.0 |
| 288 | 208 | Cakebread Robey | 288 | | 20.6 | 7.1 | 21.3 |
| 88 | 48 | Carr (J) Doncaster | 68 | | 4.1 | 6.0 | 8.7 |
| 188 | 148 | Carson-Roadstone | 188 | | 7.9 | 4.2 | |
| 78 | 48 | Conder Int | 68 | | 3.1 | 4.6 | |
| 288 | 208 | Costain | 288 | | 20.0 | 6.9 | |
| 248 | 174 | Countryside | 218 | | 7.5 | 3.4 | 12.2 |
| 88 | 68 | Crouch (Derek) | 78 | | 7.5 | 9.6 | 12.9 |
| | | Crouch Group | | | | | |
| 188 | 88 | Crow (Denys) | 98 | | 5.1 | 10.4 | 6.1 |
| 88 | 68 | Douglas (Hld) | 78 | | 2.5 | 6.4 | 37.1 |
| 88 | 68 | Eiloh | 78 | | 4.1 | 6.6 | 10.0 |
| 128 | 98 | Feb | 98 | | 3.9 | 4.0 | 12.4 |
| 118 | 78 | Do 'A' | 98 | | 3.9 | 4.0 | 11.3 |
| 107 | 71 | Finlay (John) | 106 | | 6.6 | 7.0 | 41.3 |
| 188 | 138 | French Kier | 188 | | 8.1 | 6.5 | 10.7 |
| 71 | 57 | Galliford | 68 | | 6.1 | 6.6 | 10.7 |
| 118 | 78 | Gibbs & Dandy Ord | 98 | | 4.1 | 6.6 | 8.7 |
| 128 | 108 | Gleeson (M J) | 118 | | 7.1 | 6.0 | 10.5 |
| 123 | 94 | HAT | 98 | | 4.8 | 6.1 | 10.5 |
| 18 | 8 | Heidel Ber | 8 | | | | 3.3 |
| 88 | 58 | Hewden-Stuart | 78 | | 2.1 | 5.1 | 9.2 |
| 151 | 98 | Heywood Williams | 138 | | 8.6 | 6.2 | 8.1 |
| 178 | 118 | Higgs & Hill | 158 | | 10.4 | 6.6 | 8.3 |
| 178 | 118 | Hill | 158 | | 10.7 | 6.8 | 8.3 |
| 288 | 208 | Hobbs Johnson | 278 | | 9.9 | 3.6 | 12.5 |
| 288 | 208 | Jarvis (J) & Sons | 288 | | 9.9 | 3.5 | 12.5 |
| 288 | 208 | Laing (J) | 218 | | 7.9 | 3.6 | 12.5 |
| 288 | 208 | Lilley | 218 | | 7.9 | 3.6 | 12.5 |
| 244 | 188 | Lawrence (Walter) | 224 | | 14.6 | 6.5 | 8.2 |
| 91 | 68 | Lilley (FJC) | 87 | | 5.2 | 7.5 | 8.2 |
| 288 | 208 | Lovell (Y J) | 288 | | 8.6 | 4.3 | 10.1 |
| 178 | 118 | Magnet & South | 178 | | 10.7 | 6.0 | 8.7 |
| 188 | 148 | Maclellan | 188 | | 10.0 | 5.5 | 9.1 |
| 288 | 188 | Marshalls (Halifax) | 225 | | 11.4 | 5.1 | 7.9 |
| 288 | 208 | May & Hassell | 288 | | 8.9 | 3.1 | 9.2 |
| 188 | 148 | McAlpine (Alfred) | 188 | | 10.7 | 5.7 | 8.0 |
| 158 | 98 | Meyer Int | 114 | | 7.9 | 6.1 | 6.0 |
| 28 | 18 | Miller (Stanley) | 19 | | | | |
| 178 | 138 | Monk (A) | 131 | | 9.5 | 7.1 | 9.1 |
| 288 | 208 | Mowlem (John) | 218 | | 10.9 | 5.0 | 9.7 |
| 178 | 128 | Newarthill | 178 | | 14.3 | 8.0 | 12.9 |
| 178 | 128 | Nottingham Brick | 158 | | 7.1 | 4.5 | 14.5 |
| 288 | 208 | Pearce (SH) Sons | 288 | | 8.8 | 3.0 | 13.6 |
| 288 | 208 | Phoenix Timber | 288 | | 8.8 | 3.0 | 13.6 |
| 288 | 208 | Pochins | 288 | | 17.0 | 8.2 | 4.1 |
| 478 | 358 | RMC | 478 | | 17.8 | 4.6 | 9.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Redland | 288 | | 17.8 | 6.2 | 11.5 |
| 178 | 128 | Roberts Adland | 158 | | 8.6 | 5.4 | 8.2 |
| 288 | 208 | Rowlinson Secs | 218 | | 8.9 | 2.9 | 8.2 |
| 288 | 208 | Ruberoid | 288 | | 16.4 | 5.1 | 8.5 |
| 178 | 128 | Rugby Cement | 158 | | 9.6 | 6.1 | 11.4 |
| 198 | 128 | SGB | 198 | | 10.9 | 5.5 | 9.7 |
| 288 | 208 | Sharps & Fisher | 288 | | 9.2 | 3.2 | 9.2 |
| 71 | 57 | Stuart (J) | 67 | | 3.6 | 5.4 | 12.3 |
| 288 | 208 | Tarmac | 288 | | 20.0 | 6.9 | 10.3 |
| 288 | 208 | Taylor Woodrow | 288 | | 17.0 | 5.9 | 8.1 |
| 134 | 98 | Tilbury Group | 134 | | 6.4 | 4.8 | 10.5 |
| 248 | 208 | Travis & Arnold | 248 | | 11.0 | 4.4 | 9.2 |
| 288 | 208 | Trent | 278 | | 14.0 | 5.0 | 8.2 |
| 188 | 138 | Tarmac | 278 | | 11.9 | 4.3 | 10.1 |
| 178 | 128 | UBM | 148 | | 10.9 | 7.4 | 10.6 |
| 178 | 128 | Vibroplant | 138 | | 12.5b | 9.2 | 14.1 |
| 178 | 128 | Ward | 148 | | 9.4 | 6.4 | 9.1 |
| 188 | 148 | Do Did | 148 | | | | |
| 188 | 148 | Warrington (T) | 148 | | 8.8 | 12.9 | 7.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Wates Bldg | 288 | | 8.1 | 2.8 | 20.6 |
| 288 | 208 | Watsons Bros | 73 | | | | 13.7 |
| 178 | 128 | Wellington | 158 | | 8.8 | 5.6 | 8.2 |
| 288 | 208 | Wilson (Connolly) | 184 | | 8.8 | 4.8 | 9.8 |
| 160 | 95 | Wimpey (George) | 98 | +1 | 4.4 | 4.4 | 7.5 |

CHEMICALS, PLASTICS

| 1984/85 High | Low | Company | Price | Chge | Gross Div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 28 | 18⅛ | AKZO N/V Bearer | 22⅜ | | 400 | 14.3 | |
| 258 | 148 | Allied Colloids | 241 | | 3.6 | 1.2 | 27.6 |
| 377 | 263 | Arsenham | 282 | | 7.5 | 2.8 | 21.5 |
| 278 | 68 | Anchor Chemical | 268 | | 8.8 | 3.3 | 24.5 |
| 63 | 39 | Arrow Chemical | 62 | | 2.4 | 3.9 | 10.7 |
| 63⅜ | 39⅜ | Bayer DM50 | 55¹⁄₁₆ | | 700 | 11.4 | |
| | | Blagden | | | 10.5 | | |
| 127 | 84 | Brent Chems | 125 | | 4.2 | 3.5 | 23.2 |
| 17⅛ | 9⅛ | Br Tar Products | 11⅛ | | | | |
| 93 | 57 | Canning (W) | 93 | | 5.0 | 5.4 | 14.2 |
| 122 | 77 | Coalite | 122 | | 4.6 | 4.7 | 14.5 |
| 251 | 151 | Croda Int | 251 | | 6.4 | 3.5 | 11.0 |
| | | Croda Bros' | | | 17.3 | | 11.8 |
| 188 | 78 | Do 'A' | 143 | | | | |
| 35 | 21 | Cory (Horace) | 31 | | 2.3 | 6.5 | 15.8 |
| 151 | 102 | Crode | 135 | | 10.0 | 7.2 | 19.6 |
| 188 | 138 | Do Old | 138 | | | | 19.6 |
| 244 | 156 | Ellis & Everard | 244 | | 8.5 | 3.5 | 22.5 |
| 188 | 138 | Halstead (James) | 188 | | 8.0 | 5.6 | 8.8 |
| 478 | 348 | Hickson | 478 | | 14.8 | 3.0 | 12.9 |
| 98 | 58 | Hoechst DM50 | 228 | | | | |
| 884 | 530 | Imp Chem Ind | 812 | | 42.9 | 5.3 | 8.2 |
| 298 | 248 | Laporte | 298 | | 10.8 | 3.7 | 22.9 |
| 113 | 61 | Leigh | 101 | | 3.2 | 3.2 | 27.8 |
| 147 | 107 | Lyon | 215 | | 4.1 | 1.9 | 20.2 |
| 175 | 119 | Rentokil | 168 | | 2.8 | 1.7 | 28.8 |
| 150 | 58 | SIMA BPD | 127 | | | | |
| 188 | 138 | Stewart Plastic | 188 | | 8.6 | 3.5 | 16.1 |
| 288 | 128 | Wedgwood | 228 | | 8.8 | 3.8 | 15.2 |
| 97 | 39 | Yorkshire Chem | 95 | | 2.5 | 2.6 | 15.2 |

CINEMAS AND TV

| 1984/85 High | Low | Company | Price | Chge | Gross Div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 198 | 148 | Anglia TV 'A' | 148 | | 11.4 | 7.7 | 10.2 |
| 114 | 88 | Grampian | 98 | | 6.6 | 6.6 | 6.2 |
| 158 | 88 | HTV N/V | 143 | | 10.0 | 7.0 | 6.9 |
| 351 | 188 | LWT 'A' | 248 | | | | |
| 488 | 348 | Scot TV 'A' | 348 | | 11.9 | 7.7 | 7.2 |
| 198 | 78 | TVS N/V | 133 | | 8.6 | 6.4 | 7.7 |
| 32 | 24 | TSW | 28 | | 2.1 | 7.4 | 7.8 |

DRAPERY AND STORES

| 1984/85 High | Low | Company | Price | Chge | Gross Div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 430 | 298 | ASR | 368 | | 10.4 | 2.9 | 7.8 |
| 128 | 88 | Aquascutum 'A' | 98 | | 2.5 | 6.0 | 34.9 |
| 81 | 46 | Bentalls | 68 | | 2.5 | 4.8 | 12.5 |
| 288 | 208 | Bramac | 288 | | 8.5 | 3.4 | 17.5 |
| 287 | 187 | Br Home Stores | 287 | | 12.8 | 4.5 | 16.4 |
| 272 | 150 | Brown (N) | 272 | | 11.4 | 4.2 | 16.8 |
| 474 | 211 | Burton | 463 | | 28.6 | 6.2 | 23.4 |
| | | Coats (A) &Sons | | | | | |
| 79 | 58 | Combs 'A' | 74 | | 2.9 | 3.9 | 6.4 |
| 288 | 208 | Cosalt (S) | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 8.4 |
| 665 | 335 | Church | 513 | | 15.7 | 3.1 | 15.1 |
| 288 | 208 | Combined English | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 8.4 |
| 140 | 88 | Courts (Furn) 'A' | 118 | | 6.7 | 5.6 | 6.1 |
| 238 | 141 | Debenhams | 218 | | 11.1 | 5.1 | 13.4 |
| 115 | 81 | Dewhirst (J) | 98 | | 5.7 | 5.8 | 10.7 |
| 510 | 422 | Dixons | 510 | | 8.6 | 1.7 | 18.5 |
| 358 | 288 | Dunlop | 358 | | 4.4 | 1.4 | 18.5 |
| 288 | 208 | Ellis & Goldstein | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Epys (Wimbledon) | 288 | | 10.5 | 3.6 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Fenwick Stores | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 146 | 115 | Etam | 146 | | 4.6 | 3.1 | 9.2 |
| 288 | 208 | Exclusive Clothes | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Fine Art Dev | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Ford (Martin) | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Formfitter | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Foster Bros | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Fremens | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Geller (A J) | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Great SR | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Ginsberg (A) | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Goldsmiths Gp | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Grattan | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | Greenfield Blacks | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
| 288 | 208 | GUS | 288 | | 8.5 | 2.9 | 13.8 |
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THE TIMES

# FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

**Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet**

## The dollar faces its stiffest test yet

Nothing better underlines the foreign exchange markets' love affair with the dollar than its ability to stand up to bad news. The danger is that when the bust-up comes, with realization that the bad news is important, the dollar fall will be uncontrollable.

Yesterday, two pieces of damaging information were absorbed with equanimity by the markets. The first was the 0.5 per cent fall in industrial production in February, accompanied by a downward revision of the figures for the previous months.

The second was the announcement by the Governor of Ohio of a three-day bank holiday for 70 state-guaranteed savings & loan institutions, after a run on them caused by last week's collapse of the Home State Savings Bank in Cincinnati.

The industrial production figures, taken in combination with Wednesday's announcement of a 1.4 per cent rise in retail sales tell one of two stories. The production figures, traditionally more reliable than the volatile retail series, may simply be telling us that the US economy is slowing down, and indeed, that it has been growing at a slower rate than we had thought.

As well as the 0.5 per cent drop in February, the figures showed that the January rise was only 0.3 per cent, against an earlier estimate of 0.4 per cent; the December increase was 0.1 per cent (previous estimate 0.5 per cent) and the November rise was just 0.2 per cent (0.4 per cent).

Alternatively, the figures may tell us that, while there is plenty of spending in the American economy, US industry simply cannot compete at current exchange rates.

On either version of the story, the news is bad. And yet, while the dollar was pulled back from levels above DM3.40 against the mark to DM3.37, and the pound reovered to show a gain of a fifth of a cent at $1.0835, the response was generaly muted.

The focus now switches to next Thursday's "flash" estimate of first quarter gross national product.

Economic historians do not look for announcements of official statistics as producing the great turning points in economic cycles of exchange rates however. They prefer more down-to-earth matters like runs on banks.

The collapse of the Home State Savings Bank in Cincinnati last week went unnoticed in the foreign exchange markets. It did not escape the notice of the good people of Ohio. They have been withdrawing cash from Ohio savings and loan institutions at a sufficiently alarming rate to force what amounts to a moratorium for fears to cool.

Home State collapsed for special reasons, notably loans to the failed, Florida-based ESM Government Securities. But the effect of high interest rates and a strong dollar are equally as important in agricultural communities as in America's industrial heartland.

When the Mid-West is suffering, and when Detroit and Pittsburgh are cutting production, the US economic miracle begins to look more precarious than the foreign exchnage markets have assumed.

### Optimism ahead of the BAe offer

With only two months to go before the Government floods the market with the 96.85 million shares in British Aerospace it still owns, more than 48 per cent of the aircraft manufacturer's capital, the lead broker to the issue, Hoare Govett, has produced a comprehensive analysis of the company's performance and prospects.

Hoare Govett could hardly be expected to take an over-pessimistic view but Robert Pringle, who produced the document, hascertainly provided evidence that there are genuine reasons to look at British Aerospace with confidence.

One of the most significant aspects is that British Aerospace was privatized in February 1981 just when the worst recession in the civil aviation industry was beginning, yet it has survived, not unscathed, but in a much better financial position than some might have expected.

It had to make a £100 million provision in 1982 against its future aircraft sales account, but in 1983 produced profits of £82.3 million, and Hoare Govett expects £117 million for 1984.

The company has pushed through a significant rationalization and reorganization programme, and has also been greatly helped by its defence work which remained fairly strong throughout. The Tornado and Jaguar aircraft played an important role but it is the Rapier guided missile, which benefited from its use in the Falklands, which has made the most effective contribution.

The Rapier project demonstrates one of the keys not only to the company's present position but also to its longer-term future. The missile has a long production run which allows substantial economies of scale. All the main programmes on British Aerospace's books have life spans of at least 10 and up to 20 years. They provide it with an unusually sound base.

On the military side it may well be that the guided weapons business will play a more important role than aircraft. The cutbacks in defence expenditure will take their toll. The weapons themselves are much cheaper than the platforms from which they are launched, especially aircraft or ships, and they will therefore be preferred for the allocation of scarcer resources.

There is also a sneaking suspicion that the civil side of the business is beginning to pick up. The average age of civil aircraft is 10 years and the issues of noise and fuel economy, linked with air worthiness, will inevitably encourage some pick up

The higher level of business will require funding, and British Aerospace will have its own £150 million rights issue to coincide with the Government sell-off which will allow it flexibility to meet the improved demand. All the company now needs is a well-timed order for its BAe 146 airliner from China.

### London listing for Banco de Bilbao

Corporations have long been used to taking a global view of debt markets for the purpose of raising loan capital, and the changes afoot in the financial world are likely to ensure in time a similar approach to equity raising. Technology is rapidly eroding national financial barriers and there is no reason in principle why companies should not eventually be able to raise equity in the market they consider most suitable at the time.

For Banco de Bilbao, which this week raised a modest £5.6 million with a placing of shares in London, the prospect of doing this on a significant scale may still be some way off, not least because of present restrictions in the Spanish stock market. But the placing arranged by merchant bankers Hill Samuel and the plans to gain a Stock Exchange listing are telling signs of the times. Banco de Bilbao is the fourth largest Spanish bank with assets equivalent to £13.5 billion and pretax profits last year of 19.6 billion pesetas (£98 million). Hill Samuel believes it will be the first Spanish company to gain a listing in London.

The shares will be traded in the form of Investor Depositary Receipts in which stockbrokers Quilter Goodison will arrange matched deals. Once listed they will be traded on the Stock Exchange. Using IDRs will avoid the complexities of having to register changes in ownership.

Banco de Bilbao has long been represented as a bank in London and, with Spain still scheduled to join the EEC soon, it is keen to broaden its share ownership.

# Ohio shuts loan institutions in bid to halt run on funds

**From Bailey Morris, Washington**

Federal and state authorities met in emergency closed session in Ohio yesterday to halt a massive run on deposits against 70 state-chartered savings and loan associations after the collapse of one of the largest over the weekend.

Home State Savings Bank of Cincinnati, once considered the soundest of the state thrift associations, was forced to close its doors over the weekend because of huge losses related to the collapse of ESM Government Securities Inc of Miami. ESM was closed by a federal court after an investigation turned up undisclosed losses estimated at more than $300 million (£277 million).

Mr Richard G. Celeste, the Governor of Ohio, declared a three-day bank holiday limited to the 70 state-chartered institutions to give authorities time to still the public panic which has resulted on the deposit run.

At the same time, 26 of the 70 state chartered institutions have approached authorities in Washington about obtaining federal insurance to back their deposits. At the moment, after emergency action by the Ohio legislature, the state institutions are backed not only by a state insurance but also by a new guarantee found for the 70 institutions approved recently.

News of the deposit run and the emergency meetings had an immediate impact on international markets where the dollar began to slide.

State authorities in Cleveland noted that none of the 230 federally-insured savings and loans had been affected by the deposit run which reflected a lack of confidence among depositors in the state-regulated private fund. Deposits in federal-insured insitutions are generally insured for a maximum of £100,000, but state and private backing is generally less.

The deposit run reflects uneasiness over the conditions of banks and savings and loan associations after the near collapse of Continental Illinois, the eighth largest bank, which was rescued by federal authorities last year in a $4.5 billion bailout programme, officials said. And statements by Mr Paul Volcker, chairman of the US Federal Reserve Board, that hundreds of small banks in Mid Western states could go under as a result of the farm crisis, have made investors nervous.

Mr Volcker has, however, reassured Congress that the banking system will not be endangered by the collapse of farm state banks

ESM according to court records in America, had extensive dealings with three savings and loan institutions which have suffered huge losses.

● Key senate Republicans attempted yesterday to distance themselves from the controversial US budget they approved late on Wednesday which has already been criticized

The quick, negative response to the $55.1 billion deficit-reduciton package approved by the Republican-controlled Senate Budget Committee underscores the difficulty congress faces in approving any substansive spending cuts this year.

## Japan trade curbs urged

**American frustration over the mounting trade deficit with Japan is triggering a new round of congressional support for retaliatory, measures, including an import surcharge which is gaining momentum on Capitol Hill.**

**Mr John Danforth, Republican chairman of the Senate Finance Committee, has asked the non partisan Congressional Budget Office to complete a study on the effects of an import surcharge for use in Senate debate on the proposal.**

**The US State Department is also studying the effects of a surcharge which has been denounced by foreign governments as the most protectionist proposal since the 1930s.**

**The surcharge proposal has gained support as Japanese officials have begun to voice for the first time their fears that trade relations with the United States are deteriorating rapidly**

**The protectionist sentiments in Congress are caused by the deficit with Japan which reached $37 billion (£34 billion) last year**

## Routledge row after ABP bid

**By Alison Eadie**

Associated Book Publishers, whose titles include the successful Adrian Mole books, has made an offer worth £4.47 million for its fellow publisher Routledge & Kegan Paul.

Although the deal looks straightforward, because Associated has received irrevocable undertakings to accept its offer from 52 per cent of the R&KP shareholders, it masks a bitter boardroom row.

The acceptances have come from the family and personal holdings of Mr Norman Franklin, chairman of R&KP, who approached Associated. The rest of the R&KP board was not consulted.

The board put out a terse statement yesterday indicating it was not consulted and that it would be writing to shareholders as soon as possible. It has called on the help of the merchant bank Morgan Grenfell to advise it on the best interests of the few private shareholders and the staff.

Yesterday's development is the result of growing tension between Mr Franklin's family interests and Camellia Investments, the tea plantation to fine art holding company that has nearly 39 per cent of R&KP. Camellia's stake has been creeping up over the years. Mr David Bacon, managing director of Camellia, is also vice chairman of R&KP, but he knew nothing of the approach to Associated.

He said that R&KP was "in the very early stages of a major revival of its fortunes". A boardroom shake-up last April saw several departures and the arrival of Mr Philip Sturrock from Pitman as managing director.

Since then R&KP has returned to profits, making £105,000 pretax in the half year to September, 1984 against a loss of £49,000. In the full year further recovery is expected and profits should exceed £250,000 against a loss of £243,000

Associated publishes academic and scientific books, as well as having a general section, covering Adrian Mole to Bibles, and a large legal section.

The terms of the offer are two Associated shares and £3 cash for three R&KP shares. Routledge shares shot up 105p to close at 388p.

## Bass and Horizon in £38m venture

**By Derek Harris**
**Commercial Editor**

Bass, Britain's biggest brewer, is acquiring 15 per cent of the ordinary shares of Horizon Travel, Britain's third largest package holiday company.

It is part of a £38 million deal which will put together various overseas holiday assets of both Bass and Horizon in a joint venture company which will be owned 50-50 by Bass and Horizon.

Horizon shares, which had been standing at 133p, rose 12p

A joint statement said a Bass director would go on the Horizon board and that Bass had given satisfactory assurances on Horizon's wish to continue as an independent company.

Mr Bruce Tanner, Horizon's executive chairman, said: "We are satisfied that Bass has no intention of mounting any bid. We shall want to continue as an independent company. We are happy to be closely associated with Bass in this venture which should be beneficial to both companies."



**Bruce Tanner: "we want to stay independent"**

Grand Metropolitan, which had made an abortive attempt last summer to set up an agreed bid for Horizon, still has just under 5 per cent of Horizon's shares. Grand Metropolitan said yesterday: "We are watching the situation with interest."

The agreement is conditional on consents from the Office of Fair Trading and the Spanish Government.

## Cape rights issue to raise £12m

**By Ian Griffiths**

Cape Industries, the building products group, will announce a rights issue on Monday to raise up to £12 million. The cash-raising is part of the reconstruction forced on the company as result of losses incurred in its withdrawal from the glass fibre business.

The company is also raising a further £15.75 million through the sale of its automotive products business to BBA Group, the friction material and industrial textiles company.

In the nine months to the end of December 1984 Cape made attributable losses of £33.2 million which forced the reconstruction plans. These have received the backing of Charter Consolidated which owns 67 per cent of Cape, and it will subscribe for its rights in full.

Yesterday BBA announced a one-for-four rights issue at 60p to raise £8.1 million to finance the deal. The company made pretax profits of £5.4 million in 1984 down from £5.5 million.

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IN BRIEF

## Share index at record

The FT-SE Index, covering the market's 100 biggest companies, hit a record high when it closed up 10.2 at 1,309.9 last night. The index started at 1,000 on January 1, 1984.

And the FT 30-share index crossed the 1,000 level for the third time in its history yesterday, closing 12.4 higher at 1,002.5. There were 27,000 bargains marked as institutional investors moved in on hopes that Tuesday's Budget will be good for industry.

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## £12m cash call

Mitchell Cotts, the engineering, transportation and trading group, is to raise £12.5 million by way of one-for-four rights issue at 66p. The money will be used to reduce borrowings. Interim results show pretax profits of £4.2 million, up from £3.5 million. Turnover fell to £178.2 million from £189.4 million. An unchanged interim dividend of 1.5p has been declared. Tempus, page 21

**The financial services operations of American Express, including Shearson, Shearson/Lehman and American Express International Banking Corporation, are negotiating with the developers Stanhope Securities and Rosehaugh to take about 250,000sq ft in the proposed 1.5 million sq ft office development at Liverpool Street station in London.**

## Grattan higher

Grattan is to pay a final dividend of 2p, making 3p (1p) for the year to January 31, after pretax profits rose from £3.5 million to £9.6 million. Sales rose from £195 million to £219 million. Tempus, page 21

## Shipyard saved

Readheads shiprepair yard at South Shields, Tyne and Wear, which was revived partly with former workers' redundancy cash, is to go into voluntary liquidation. But the yard will continue to operate with its future guaranteed under an agreement between Readheads, Tyne Dock Engineering and British Shipbuilders.

## Pao victory

Sir Yuekong Pao has won overwhelming control of Wheelock Marden, the diversified Hong Kong group. His Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown gained control of 50.1 per cent of the Wheelock voting rights early yesterday.

## Northern to pay £51m for dairies

**By Our City Staff**

Northern Foods is paying £51 million in cash for Grand Metropolitan's northern Express Dairy subsidiary. Northern will acquire four dairies in Lancashire, North Wales, Derbyshire and Yorkshire, and Eden Vale's distribution activities in Northern Ireland 500 milk rounds.

Grand Metropolitan will keep the rest of Express Dairy's liquid milk operations, centred mainly in the South and West, and the Eden Vale, Ski and cheese businesses.

Northern Foods will end up, with about 12 per cent of the British milk market and Grand Met with 8 per cent against a previous position of 8 per cent and 12 per cent respectively.

The business being sold made £5.5 million operating profit in the year ended September 30, 1984 out of total operating profits for Express Dairies of £16.4 million on sales of £778 million. In 1983 Express Dairies profits were £31.5 million on sales of £737.4 million.

The background to the deal is one overcapacity and falling milk sales. Grand Met is closing its Sheffield dairy, part of the nothern Express Subsidiary, and Northern Foods is closing its Grimsby dairy. Mr Nicholas Horsley, chairman of Northern, said there would be more rationalization.

## Saudis swap oil for French jets

**By David Young, Energy Correspondent**

Saudi Arabia has arranged to pay the French Government in oil for the fleet of 45 Mirage fighter aircraft and associated spares and ground equipment it has bought from Dassault, the French aircraft manufacturer.

The deal will involve Saudi Arabia supplying 75 million barrels to the French Government which will pass it to the state oil company for refining or trading.

The oil will be priced strictly in line with the price structure of the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries, thus avoiding Saudi Arabia being criticized for "dumping" oil as it was last summer when it used 10 billion barrels of oil to pay for a fleet of Boeing 747s with Rolls-Royce engines.

The oil will also be delivered over a three-year period as opposed to the three-month period when the last oil-for-aircraft crude stock went into the world market. The new contract is worth $2 billion compared with $1 billion for the Boeings.

As the deal is being seen as a strictly government-to-government transaction and follows a precedent set by Abu Dhabi which bought French military aircraft and paid in oil it is not expected to cause concern within Opec.

Saudi Arabia is also understood to be prepared to let details of the oil production and price structure involved be subject to scrutiny by the new Opec auditing machinery.

## MARKET SUMMARY

### STOCK MARKETS

| | |
|---|---|
| FT Ind Ord | 1002.5(+12.4) |
| FT- A All Share | 630.16(+5.46) |
| FT Govt Securities | 80.26(+0.35) |
| FT-SE 100 | 1309.9(+10.2) |
| Bargains | 28,420 |
| Datastream USM | 112.36(−0.13) |
| **New York** | |
| Dow Jones | 1262.03(+1.99) |
| **Tokyo** | |
| Nikkei Dow | 12,468.03(+63.00) |
| **Hong Kong:** | |
| Hang Seng | 1333.76(−22.59) |
| **Amsterdam:** | 207.8(−0.9) |
| **Sydney:** AO | 794.4(+5.4) |
| **Frankfurt:** | |
| Commerzbank | 1214.0(+11.5) |
| **Brussels:** | |
| General | 306.23(−3.11) |
| **Paris:** CAC | 208.1(−0.3) |

### GOLD

**London fixing:**
am $289.60pm-$292.70
close $294.25-$294.75
(£270.75-271.25)
**New York:**
Comex (latest) $293.75

### MAIN PRICE CHANGES

**RISES:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Riley Leisure | 53.00 +6 |
| Ryan Intl. | 14.50 +1.50 |
| Low & Bonar Grp. | 415.00 +37 |
| Boustead | 70.00 +6 |
| Floyd Oil Part. | 98.00 +8 |
| Burco Dean | 24.00 +2 |
| Horizon Travel | 145.00 +12 |
| Celtic Haven | 39.50 +3 |
| Raybeck | 28.00 +2 |
| Gomme Holdings | 43.00 +3 |
| Neepsend | 14.50 +1 |
| Resource Tech. | 29.00 +2 |
| Edbro Hldgs. | 148.00 +10 |
| Haden | 316.00 +21 |
| Woolworth | 693.00 +44 |
| NMW Comps. | 300.00 +19 |

**FALLS:**

| | |
|---|---|
| Audiotronic Hldgs. | 5.50 −1 |
| Mainmet Holdings | 33.00 −5 |
| Markheath | 75.00 −8 |
| Scantronic | 33.00 −12 |
| CPU Computers | 33.00 −3 |
| Rotaprint | 6.00 −0.50 |
| DJ Scty Alarm | 61.00 −5 |
| Barbican | 3.25 −0.25 |
| Mitchell Cotts | 76.00 −5.5 |

### CURRENCIES

**London:**
£: $1.0835 (+0.0020)
£: DM 3.6560 (−0.0015)
£: SwFr 3.1105 (+0.0005)
£: FFr 11.1650(−0.0070)
£: Yen 282.05 (+0.55)
£ Index: 72.0 (+0.2)

**New York:**
£: $1.0905
$: DM 3.3770
$ Index: 154.7 (−0.2)
ECU £0.608315
SDR £0.884393

### INTEREST RATES

**London:**
Bank Base: 14%
3-month Interbank 13¾–13⅝%
3-month eligible bills 13⅝–13 ⅛ +4 buying rate
**US:**
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Federal Funds 8¾
3-month Treasury Bills 8.40–8.36
Long bond yield 95³⁄₃₂–95–⁶⁄₃₂


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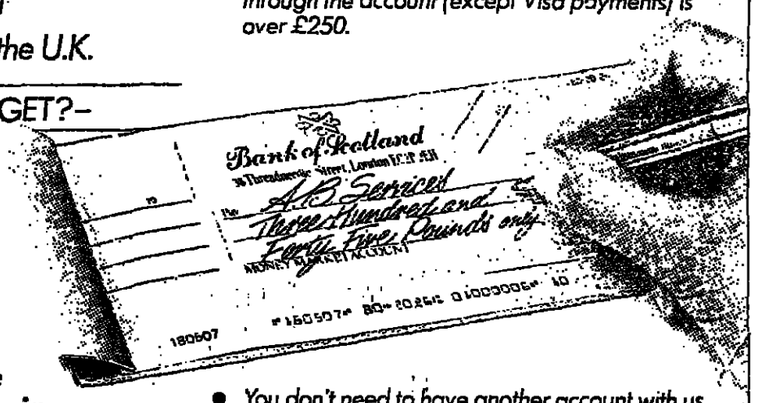
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## WALL STREET

| | Mar 14 | Mar 13 |
|---|---|---|
| AMF Inc | 16⅞ | 16⅞ |
| AMR | 40 | 40⅛ |
| Allied Corp | 38⅝ | 39⅛ |
| Allied Stores | 53¼ | 53⅝ |
| Allis Chalmers | 7 | 7⅛ |
| Alcoa | 33½ | 33⅞ |
| Amax Inc | 17⅛ | 17⅛ |
| Amerada Hess | 28⅛ | 28⅛ |
| Am Brands | 68⅛ | 68⅛ |
| Am Broadcast | 72⅝ | 70 |
| Am Can | 51⅛ | 51¼ |
| Am Cyanamid | 51⅛ | 51¼ |
| Am Elec Power | 20⅞ | 21 |
| Am Home | 58½ | 57⅝ |
| Am Motors | 3⅛ | 3⅜ |
| Am Nat Res | 64⅛ | 63⅝ |
| Am Standard | 32⅝ | 33⅛ |
| Am Telephone | 21⅝ | 21⅝ |
| Armco Steel | 9⅛ | 9⅛ |
| Asarco | 25⅞ | 26⅛ |
| Ashland Oil | 30⅝ | 30⅛ |
| Atlntic Richfield | 48⅛ | 48⅜ |
| Avco | 49⅛ | 49⅛ |
| Avon Products | 21¼ | 21⅛ |
| Bankers Tst NY | 60⅛ | 61 |
| Bankamerica | 19¼ | 18⅞ |
| Bank of Boston | 43⅝ | 43⅛ |
| Bank of NY | 39 | 38⅞ |
| Beatrice Foods | 29⅜ | 30 |
| Bethlehem Steel | 16⅜ | 16⅛ |
| Boeing | 62⅞ | 63⅛ |
| Boise Cascade | 39⅞ | 40⅛ |
| Borden | 57⅝ | 58⅛ |
| Borg Warner | 21⅞ | 21⅝ |
| Bristol Myers | 55⅞ | 55⅛ |
| BP | 23⅜ | 24⅛ |
| Burlington Ind | 25⅞ | 25⅞ |
| Burlington Nthn | 52⅜ | 52⅛ |
| Burroughs | 59⅝ | 60⅞ |
| Campbell Soup | 70⅞ | 69⅝ |
| Canadian Pacific | 42⅝ | 43⅛ |
| Caterpillar | 31⅛ | 31⅛ |
| Celanese | 89⅝ | 90 |
| Central Soya | 19⅛ | 19 |
| Champion | 20⅞ | 21 |
| Chase Manhat | 51⅞ | 51⅛ |
| Chem Bank NY | 38⅛ | 37⅞ |
| Chevron | 34⅛ | 34 |
| Chrysler | 34⅝ | 34⅛ |
| Cities Corp | 41⅝ | 41⅛ |
| Clark Equip | 29⅝ | 30 |
| Coca Cola | 64⅛ | 64⅜ |
| Colgate | 23⅜ | 23 |
| CBS | 85⅝ | 82⅛ |
| Columbia Gas | 28⅞ | 29⅛ |
| Combustion Eng | 34⅞ | 34⅛ |
| Comwlth Edison | 28⅝ | 28½ |
| Cons Edison | 30⅝ | 30⅛ |
| Cons Foods | 37 | 36⅛ |
| Cons Power | 6⅜ | 6⅜ |
| Control Data | 34⅝ | 34⅞ |
| Corning Glass | 37⅝ | 37⅞ |
| CPC Intl | 42⅛ | 42⅞ |
| Crane | 34⅞ | 35 |
| Crocker Int | 25⅝ | 25½ |
| Crown Zeller | 37⅜ | 37½ |
| Dart & Kraft | 91⅝ | 92½ |
| Deere | 31½ | 31½ |
| Delta Air | 45⅞ | 46⅛ |
| Detroit Edison | 15⅝ | 15⅞ |
| Digital Equip | 100⅝ | 99⅝ |
| Disney | 76½ | 76⅝ |
| Dow Chemical | 29⅝ | 29½ |
| Dresser Ind | 20⅝ | 20½ |
| Duke Power | 30⅛ | 30⅜ |
| Du Pont | 51⅝ | 51⅞ |
| Eastern Air | 5⅝ | 5⅝ |
| Eastman Kodak | 68⅝ | 68⅛ |
| Exxon Corp | 55⅝ | 56⅛ |
| Emerson Elect | 73½ | 73½ |
| Evans Prod | 1⅞ | 1⅞ |

| | Mar 14 | Mar 13 |
|---|---|---|
| Exxon Corp | 49⅛ | 49⅛ |
| Fed Dept Stores | 55¼ | 55⅛ |
| Firestone | 18 | 18 |
| Fst Chicago | 23⅝ | 23½ |
| Fst Interst Bncp | 45½ | 45⅞ |
| Fst Penn Corp | 7¼ | 7¼ |
| Ford | 43⅝ | 43⅝ |
| GAF Corp | 31½ | 30⅝ |
| GTE Corp | 43⅝ | 43⅞ |
| Gen Corp | 38⅝ | 40 |
| Gen Dynamics | 73¼ | 74⅝ |
| Gen Electric | 61⅞ | 62 |
| Gen Foods | 59⅛ | 59⅛ |
| Gen Mills | 57 | 56⅛ |
| Gen Motors | 77⅛ | 77⅝ |
| Gen Pub Util NY | 12¼ | 12⅜ |
| Genesco | 5⅛ | 5⅛ |
| Georgia Pacific | 23¾ | 23¾ |
| Gillette | 58½ | 57⅞ |
| Goodrich | 29⅝ | 29⅝ |
| Goodyear | 25⅞ | 25⅞ |
| Gould Inc | 22⅝ | 22⅛ |
| Grace | 40⅝ | 41⅛ |
| Gt Attic & Pacific | 16⅛ | 16⅛ |
| Greyhound | 28 | 28¼ |
| Grumman Corp | 27⅞ | 27⅞ |
| Gulf & West | 31⅝ | 31⅝ |
| Heinz H. J. | 48⅛ | 47⅞ |
| Hercules | 33 | 33⅛ |
| Honeywell | 55⅝ | 56⅛ |
| IC Inds | 30⅞ | 30⅛ |
| Ingersoll | 46⅞ | 46¾ |
| Inland Steel | 22⅝ | 23 |
| IBM | 128⅝ | 130⅛ |
| Int Harvester | 10 | 10⅛ |
| INCO | 12⅝ | 12⅜ |
| Int Paper | 49⅛ | 49⅝ |
| Int Tel Tel | 32⅝ | 32⅛ |
| Irving Bank | 33⅝ | 33⅞ |
| Jim Walter | 32⅛ | 33⅜ |
| Johnson & John | 39⅞ | 39⅝ |
| Kaiser Alumin | 13⅜ | 14 |
| Kerr McGee | 30⅛ | 31 |
| Kimberly Clark | 48⅝ | 48⅝ |
| K Mart | 33⅝ | 35 |
| Kroger | 40⅞ | 40⅛ |
| L.T.V. Corp | 10⅛ | 10⅝ |
| Litton | 66⅛ | 67⅛ |
| Lockheed | 43⅝ | 43⅛ |
| Lucky Stores | 19⅝ | 19⅝ |
| Manut Hanover | 37¼ | 36⅞ |
| Manville Cp | 7⅝ | 7⅞ |
| Mapco | 31 | 30⅛ |
| Marine Midland | 32⅛ | 32⅛ |
| Martin Marietta | 48⅞ | 49⅞ |
| McDonnell | 77⅛ | 79⅛ |
| Mead | 36⅛ | 36⅝ |
| Merck | 101⅞ | 100⅝ |
| Minnesota Mng | 82⅛ | 81⅞ |
| Mobil Oil | 29⅝ | 29⅝ |
| Monsanto | 43⅜ | 43⅛ |
| Morgan J. P. | 45⅝ | 45⅝ |
| Motorola | 31⅝ | 31⅛ |
| NCR Corp | 27⅛ | 27⅞ |
| NL Industries | 11⅞ | 11⅞ |
| Nabisco | 57¼ | 55⅛ |
| Nat Distillers | 28⅛ | 28⅛ |
| Nat Med Ent | 26⅝ | 26⅛ |
| Norfolk South | 65 | 65¼ |
| NW Bancorp | 32⅝ | 32⅝ |
| Occidental Pet | 27⅞ | 27⅛ |
| Ogden | 31⅝ | 31⅝ |
| Olin Corp | 34⅝ | 35 |
| Owens-Illinois | 40⅛ | 40⅝ |
| Pacific Gas Elec | 17 | 17 |
| Pan Am | 4⅜ | 4⅛ |
| Penney J. C. | 47⅞ | 47⅝ |
| Pennzoil | 45⅞ | 46⅛ |
| Pepsico | 48⅝ | 48⅝ |
| Pfizer | 40⅛ | 40⅛ |
| Phelps Dodge | 18⅛ | 18⅛ |

| | Mar 14 | Mar 13 |
|---|---|---|
| Philip Morris | 91⅛ | 90 |
| Phillips Petrol | 48⅛ | 49⅛ |
| Polaroid | 25⅛ | 25⅛ |
| PPG Ind | 38⅛ | 37⅞ |
| Proctor Gamble | 59⅝ | 56⅝ |
| Pub Ser El & Gas | 26⅝ | 26⅛ |
| Raytheon | 44⅝ | 44⅛ |
| RCA Corp | 38⅝ | 38¾ |
| Reynolds Ind | 83 | 82½ |
| Reynolds Metal | 36 | 35¾ |
| Rockwell Int | 35⅜ | 35⅝ |
| Royal Dutch | 53⅝ | 54⅛ |
| Safeways | 32⅛ | 31⅞ |
| SFE Sopac | 26⅝ | 27 |
| SCM | 47⅞ | 47⅛ |
| Schlumberger | 38⅝ | 37⅛ |
| Scott Paper | 25⅞ | 25⅞ |
| Seagram | 41⅞ | 41⅝ |
| Sears Roebuck | 34⅝ | 34½ |
| Shell Oil | 59⅝ | 59⅝ |
| Shell Trans | 33⅝ | 33⅛ |
| Signal Co | 32⅞ | 33⅜ |
| Singer | 35 | 35⅛ |
| Smithkline Beck | 80 | 59⅝ |
| Sony | 17⅞ | 17⅞ |
| Sth Cal Edison | 22⅝ | 22⅜ |
| Sperry Corp | 50 | 51⅛ |
| Std Oil Indiana | 62⅝ | 63⅛ |
| Std Oil Ohio | 45⅛ | 45⅞ |
| Sterling Drug | 29⅛ | 28⅝ |
| Stevens J. P. | 17⅝ | 18 |
| Sun Comp | 49⅝ | 49⅛ |
| Teledyne | 258½ | 260 |
| Tenneco | 40⅛ | 40⅛ |
| Texaco | 35 | 35⅛ |
| Texas East Corp | 31⅛ | 32⅝ |
| Texas Inst | 106½ | 107⅞ |
| Texas Utilities | 26⅞ | 26⅝ |
| Textron | 41⅛ | 41½ |
| TWA | 35⅛ | 35 |
| Travelers Corp | 41⅛ | 41⅝ |
| TRW Inc | 35⅞ | 79⅝ |
| UAL Inc | 45½ | 46⅛ |
| Union Carbide | 37⅞ | 38 |
| Unocal | 46⅞ | 47 |
| Un Pacific Corp | 47½ | 47⅜ |
| Uniroyal | 14⅛ | 15 |
| United Brands | 13⅝ | 13⅛ |
| US Steel | 27⅞ | 27 |
| Utd Technol | 40⅝ | 41⅛ |
| Wachovia | 32 | 30⅞ |
| Warner Lambert | 37⅝ | 38 |
| Wells Fargo | 54⅞ | 54⅝ |
| Westinghse Elec | 30 | 30⅛ |
| Weyerhauser | 28⅝ | 29 |
| Whirlpool | 46⅛ | 46⅛ |
| Woolworth | 40 | 39⅝ |
| Xerox Corp | 42⅞ | 43 |
| Zenith | 21½ | 21¼ |

### CANADIAN PRICES

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| Abitibi | 50 | 50 |
| Alcan Alumin | 37⅝ | 37½ |
| Algoma Steel | 20½ | 21½ |
| Bell Telephone | 38⅛ | 38⅛ |
| Can Pacific | 59½ | 60 |
| Cominco | 14⅞ | 14 |
| Cons Bathurst | 17½ | 17⅝ |
| Gulf Oil | 17⅝ | 17½ |
| Hawker/Sid Can | 20⅝ | 21½ |
| Hudson Bay Min | 6¾ | 6¾ |
| Imasco | 55½ | 55½ |
| Imperial Oil | 48⅞ | 48½ |
| Int Pipe | 35 | 35 |
| Mass.-Fergsn | 2.95 | 3.05 |
| Royal Trustco | 19½ | 19⅜ |
| Seagram | 57⅛ | 56⅞ |
| Steel Co | 21⅜ | 21⅛ |
| Thomson N 'A' | 56½ | 56½ |
| Walker Hiram | 28⅝ | 28⅝ |
| WCT | 14⅜ | 14⅛ |

● Ex div. a Asked. c Ex distribution. b Bid. k Market closed. n New issue. p Stock split. t Traded. y Unquoted.

# Early slip for Dow

*New York (Agencies)* – The market headed lower in moderate trading early yesterday.

The Dow Jones industrial average was down 0.77 to 1,259.28.

The NYSE index was down 0.05 to 103.06 and the price of an average share was down 1 cent.

Declines led advances by 624 to 526 among the 1,664 issues crossing the tape.

First-hour big board volume amounted to about 24.35 million shares against 26.79 million.

General Motors was up ¼ to 77¾ and Chrysler up ⅛ to 34¾.

Chevron was up ⅛ to 34⅜. Indiana Standard up ⅛ to 63. Atlantic Richfield up ¼ to 48⅜ and Ohio Standard up ¼ to 45¾.

Sun Co was down ¼ to 49⅜ and Royal Dutch down ⅜ to 53.

IBM was up ⅝ to 129½. Digital Equipment was up ⅞ to 101½, Data General up 1⅞ to 48⅜ and Hewlett Packard up ½ to 33⅞.

CBS was down ⅝ to 85¾ and American Broadcasting up 1¼ to 73⅝. K Mart was down ⅜ to 33⅛. Union Carbide was down ½ to 37.

Before the market opened, the Labour Department reported that producer prices fell 0.1 per cent last month. Lower wholesale prices for food, petrol and fuel oil caused the overall index to fall.

Another report showed industrial production in February falling 0.5 per cent, seasonally adjusted.

## COMMODITIES

**LONDON COMMODITY PRICES**
*Rubber in £'s per tonne; Coffee, cocoa, sugar in pounds per metric ton; Gas-oil in US $ per metric tonne.*
G W Joynson and Co report

**SUGAR**

| | |
|---|---|
| May | 113.0–112.8 |
| Aug | 118.2–117.8 |
| Oct | 123.4–123.2 |
| Dec | 130.8–129.4 |
| Mar | 143.6–143.0 |
| May | 148.4–148.2 |
| Aug | 155.0–153.8 |
| Vol | 675– |

**COCOA**

| | |
|---|---|
| Mar | 2099–97 |
| May | 2091–89 |
| Jly | 2068–66 |
| Sep | 2053–52 |
| Dec | 1980–77 |
| Mar | 1974–73 |
| May | 1975–58 |
| Vol | 109/3423– |

**COFFEE**

| | |
|---|---|
| Mar | 2380–78 |
| May | 2433–31 |
| Jly | 2473–72 |
| Sep | 2502–00 |
| Nov | 2500–2498 |
| Jan | 2459–55 |
| Mar | 2439–21 |
| Vol | 96/1493– |

**GAS OIL**

| | |
|---|---|
| Mar | 233.75–33.50 |
| Apr | 224.00–23.75 |
| May | 221.25–21.00 |
| Jne | 219.75–19.25 |
| Jly | 220.00–19.50 |
| Aug | 224.00–19.00 |
| Sep | 228.00–19.00 |
| Oct | 233.00–19.00 |
| Nov | 238.00–20.00 |

**RUBBER**

| | |
|---|---|
| Apr | 745–710 |
| May | 735–720 |
| Jun | 765–730 |
| Jul | 775–740 |
| Aug | 785–750 |
| Sep | 790–760 |
| Oct | 800–770 |
| Nov | 810–780 |
| Dec | 820–780 |
| Apr/Jun | 760–720 |
| Jul/Sep | 790–750 |
| Oct/Dec | 820–780 |
| Vol | Nil– |

**LONDON METAL EXCHANGE**
Unofficial prices.
Official turnover figures
Prices in pounds per metric ton
Silver in pence per troy ounce
Radeff Wolff & Co, Ltd. report

**COPPER HIGH GRADE**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 1257.50–1256.50 |
| Three months | 1278.00–1279.00 |
| T/O | 3900 |
| Tone | Steadier |

**STANDARD CATHODES**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 1258.00–1260.00 |
| Three months | 1278.00–1280.00 |
| T/O | Nil |
| Tone | Idle |

**TIN STANDARD**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 10165–10166 |
| Three months | 10152–10155 |
| T/O | 445 |
| Tone | Steady |

**TIN HIGH–GRADE**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 10165–10166 |
| Three months | 10178–10179 |
| T/O | 10 |
| Tone | Barely steady |

**LEAD**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 311.00–312.00 |
| Three months | 320.00–320.50 |
| T/O | 2500 |
| Tone | Steady |

**ZINC STANDARD**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 833.00–835.00 |
| Three months | 805.50–806.00 |
| T/O | 3300 |
| Tone | Easier |

**ZINC HIGH GRADE**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 840.50–841.50 |
| Three months | 835.00–838.00 |
| T/O | 250 |
| Tone | Steady, but quiet |

**SILVER LARGE**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 524.0–525.0 |
| Three months | 542.0–543.0 |
| T/O | 10 |
| Tone | Quiet |

**SILVER SMALL**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 524.0–525.0 |
| Three months | 542.0–543.0 |
| T/O | Nil |
| Tone | Idle |

**ALUMINIUM**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 999.50–1000.50 |
| Three months | 1035.00–1036.00 |
| T/O | 50 |
| Tone | Idle |

**NICKEL**

| | |
|---|---|
| Cash | 4725–4730 |
| Three months | 4775–4780 |
| T/O | 384 |
| Tone | Steady |

**LONDON GOLD FUTURES MARKET**
Gold prices were unquoted yesterday.

**MEAT AND LIVESTOCK COMMISSION:**
Average fatstock prices at representative markets on December 6th:
GB: Cattle, 94.71p per kg lw (+0.34).
GB: Sheep, 205.46p per kg est d c w (+16.72).
GB: Pigs, 79.19p per kg lw (–0.48).
England and Wales:
Cattle nos. down 22.2 per cent, ave. price, 94.61p (+0.19).
Sheep nos. down 8.6 per cent, ave. price, 204.14p (+15.03).
Pig nos. up 2.1 per cent, ave. price, 79.19p (–0.48).
Scotland:
Cattle nos. up 33.9 per cent, ave. price, 95.89p (+0.03).
Sheep nos. up 14.8 per cent, ave. price, 207.97p (+20.17).
Pig nos. up 0.0 per cent, ave. price, 00.00p (+0.00).

**LONDON GRAIN FUTURES MARKET**

| Month | Wheat Close | Barley Close |
|---|---|---|
| Mar | £116.95 | £114.75 |
| May | £119.75 | £117.20 |
| Jul | £123.45 | – |
| Sep | £98.25 | £98.10 |
| Nov | £101.50 | £101.70 |
| Jan | £105.25 | £105.15 |

Total lots traded
Wheat 395
Barley 179

## APPOINTMENTS

Yorkshire Chemicals: Mr Terry Smith is to become financial director.

Procter & Gamble: Mr J. C. *Pattullo joins* the board.

NFC Parcels Group: Mr Roger Trigell has been named as group systems and resource planning director.

Automobile Association: Mr E. H. Garside succeeds Mr M. S. Bissett as director of finance.

New Court American Property Fund Managers: Mr R. P. Good becomes a director.

Littlewoods Chain Stores: Mr Arthur Henn is to be managing director.

Vaux Group: Mr Charles Tidbury is made a non-executive director.

Sir Frederick Snow & Partners (North East): Mr Stuart W. Laird becomes a partner.

Polygram Record Operations (U.K.): Mr Clive Swan has been named as managing director.

Associated British Ports Holdings: Mr Dennis Noddings is made a director of the principal operating subsidiary, Associated British Ports.

Westclox: Mr Dennis Young becomes managing director of Westclox UK Division of Talley UK, of Dumbarton, *succeeding Mr Peter Lyons.*

Jardine Reinsurance Holdings (UK): Mr William A Bruce becomes chief financial officer and a director of Jardine Thompson Graham.

**TREASURY BILL TENDER**

Applications: £484.000m allotted £100m
Bids at: £96.715+ received 100%
Last week: £96.655% received 74%
Average rate: £13 7761% Last week: £13.3716%
Next week: £100m replace £100m

## MONEY MARKETS AND GOLD

Another day of tight money kept interbank at 15⅜–¼ per cent for most of the morning. After some heavy calling by the clearing banks from the discount market, rates slipped to 15-14⅞ per cent at the end of the morning, and they held at 15-14¾ per cent throughout lunchtime. (Late trading saw a dip to 10-5 per cent, but the close was rather firmer around 13 per cent.

The periods firmed in the early part of the day, partly a backwash from costly day-to-day funding and partly showing unease over the pound. But as the dollar weakened in the afternoon, rates fell.

Most were finally about 1/16 lower on the day.

**Base Rates %**
Clearing Banks 14
Finance House 12½

**Discount Market Loans%**
Overnight: High 14½ Low 7
Week fixed: 14½–14

**Treasury Bills (Discount %)**

| Buying | | Selling | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2 months | 13⅝ | 2 months | 13½ |
| 3 months | 13¾ | 3 months | 13½ |

**Prime Bank Bills (Discount %)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 13⅝–13⅜ | 2 months | 13⅜–13¼ |
| 3 months | 13⅜–13¼ | 6 months | 13⅜–13⅛ |

**Trade Bills (Discount %)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 14⅝ | 2 months | 14¼ |
| 3 months | 14 | 6 months | 13 |

**Interbank (%)**
Overnight: open 15-14½ close 13

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 week | 14⅞–14¾ | 6 months | 13⅛–12⅝ |
| 1 month | 14⅝–14¼ | 9 months | 13⅛–12⅝ |
| 3 months | 13⅝–13⅜ | 12 months | 12⅝–12¼ |

**Local Authority Deposits (%)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 2 days | 14⅝ | 7 days | 14⅜ |
| 1 month | 14¼ | 3 months | 13¾ |
| 6 months | 12⅝ | 12 months | 12¼ |

**Local Authority Bonds (%)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 15–14⅝ | 2 months | 14⅛–14⅛ |
| 3 months | 14⅜–14⅛ | 6 months | 13⅝–13⅜ |
| 9 months | 13⅛–12⅞ | 12 months | 12⅞–12⅝ |

**Sterling CDs (%)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 14⅛–14⅛ | 3 months | 14⅛–14⅛ |
| 6 months | 12⅝–12⅜ | 12 months | 12⅜–12⅛ |

**Dollar CDs (%)**

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 month | 8.85–8.85 | 3 months | 9.40–9.30 |
| 6 months | 10-9.90 | 12 months | 11-10.90 |

### EURO-CURRENCY DEPOSITS %

| Dollar | call | 8⅝–7⅝ |
|---|---|---|
| 7 days | 8⅞–8⅝ | 1 month 9–8⅞ |
| 3 months | 9⅛–9 | 6 months 10⅛–10 |
| Deutschemark | | call 6¾–5¾ |
| 7 days | 5⅞–6 | 1 month 6⅝–6⅜ |
| 3 months | 6⅜–6¼ | 6 months 6⅝–6½ |
| French Franc | | call 11-10 |
| 7 days | 10⅛–10⅜ | 1 month 10⅛–10⅛ |
| 3 months | 11⅛–11⅜ | 6 months 11⅝–11⅞ |
| Swiss Franc | | call 3⅝–2⅝ |
| 7 days | 2⅞–3 | 1 month 6⅝–5⅝ |
| 3 months | 5⅛–5⅜ | 6 months 6–5⅞ |
| Yen | | call 6¼–5¾ |
| 7 days | 6⅝–6⅛ | 1 month 6⅝–6⅛ |
| 3 months | 6⅛–6⅜ | 6 months 6⅛–6⅜ |

### ECGD

Fixed Rate Sterling Export Finance Scheme IV
Average reference rate for interest period 6 February 1985, to 5 March, 1985, inclusive: 13.883 per cent.

### GOLD

Krugerrand* (per coin): $303-304.75 (£278.75-280.25)
Sovereigns* (new): $70-71 (£64.25-65.25)
*Excludes VAT

## FOREIGN EXCHANGES

The quiet pattern of recent days was repeated again yesterday, with operators in London *unwilling to take up firm positions ahead of Tuesday's Budget.*

New York exchanges also reported little business ahead of the weekend. The dollar began to rise higher at the start of the day on the back of rising US interest rates but came back in the afternoon on the publication of the US industrial production figures for February which *showed a drop off half of one per cent on the previous month.*

The pound ended a touch higher in dollar terms at 1.0835 (1.0815) having come back as low as 1.0712 earlier. The sterling index registered a modest improvement to 72.0 (71.8) after 71.5.

### STERLING SPOT AND FORWARD RATES

| | Market rates day's range March 15 | Market rates close March 15 | 1 month | 3 months |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| New York | $1.0715-1.0865 | $1.0825-1.0845 | 0.48-0.47c prem | 1.10-1.07c prem |
| Montreal | $1.4916-1.5058 | $1.4998-1.5042 | 0.44-0.36c prem | 0.89-0.71c prem |
| Amsterdam | 4.1197-4.1563fl | 4.1197-4.1382fl | 2¼–2¼c prem | 6¼–6½c prem |
| Brussels | 73.19-73.88f | 73.30-73.54f | 27-22c prem | 59-60c prem |
| Copenhagen | 13.0398-13.1153k | 13.0600-13.0800k | 3¼–2½ore prem | 7¼–5¾ore prem |
| Dublin | 1.1723-1.1792p | 1.1755-1.1765p | 7 prem-10p disc | 6 prem-40p disc |
| Frankfurt | 3.6409-3.6754m | 3.6523-3.6645m | 2¾–2¼pf prem | 6¾–6¼pf prem |
| Lisbon | 198.63-203.89e | 200.09-203.70e | 120-450e disc | 440-1310e disc |
| Madrid | 202.04-203.34p | 202.35-202.94p | 30-15p prem | 30-par p |
| Milan | 2294.00-2320.70lr | 2301.97-2311.85lr | 2 prem-1lr disc | 4-8lr disc |
| Oslo | 10.4067-10.5234k | 10.4067-10.4483k | 2¼–2½ore prem | 7¼–6½ore prem |
| Paris | 11.1220-11.2370f | 11.1394-11.1926f | 3½–3¾c prem | 7¼–6½c prem |
| Stockholm | 10.3324-10.3418k | 10.3418-10.3625k | 1¾–1½ore prem | 3½ore–1¼ore disc |
| Tokyo | 270.47-283.83y | 281.73-282.41y | 2-1½y prem | 5¼–4¾y prem |
| Vienna | 25.59-25.80sch | 25.59-25.69sch | 17¾–17⅝gro prem | 44¾–41¾gro prem |
| Zurich | 3.1008-3.1342f | 3.1050-3.1161f | 2¾–2½c prem | 6¼–5½c prem |

Sterling index compared with 1975 was up 0.2 at 72.0 (day's range 72.0–71.5).

### OTHER STERLING RATES

| | |
|---|---|
| Argentina peso* | 323.25-323.83 |
| Australia dollar | 1.5695-1.5733 |
| Bahrain dinar | 0.4045-0.4085 |
| Brazil cruzeiro* | 4485.69-4512.61 |
| Cyprus pound | 0.7325-0.7425 |
| Finland markka | 7.5230-7.5830 |
| Greece drachma | 153.55-155.55 |
| Hong Kong dollar | 8.4490-8.4559 |
| India rupee | 13.90-14.10 |
| Iraq dinar | 0.3– |
| Kuwait dinar (KD) | 0.3270-0.3310 |
| Malaysia dollar | 2.8038-2.8098 |
| Mexico peso | 240-255 |
| New Zealand dollar | 2.42-2.46 |
| Saudi Arabia riyal | 3.8735-3.9135 |
| Singapore dollar | 2.4616-2.4672 |
| South Africa rand | 2.1856-2.1922 |
| United Arab Emirates dirham | 3.9385-3.9785 |

### DOLLAR SPOT RATES

| | |
|---|---|
| Ireland | 0.9150-0.9170 |
| Singapore | 2.2730-2.2760 |
| Malaysia | 2.5890-2.5920 |
| Australia | 0.6890-0.6900 |
| Canada | 1.3660-1.3675 |
| Sweden | 9.5650-9.5950 |
| Norway | 9.6300-9.6500 |
| Denmark | 12.0700-12.0800 |
| West Germany | 3.3760-3.3780 |
| Switzerland | 2.8725-2.8775 |
| Netherlands | 3.6150-3.6250 |
| France | 10.3000-10.3100 |
| Japan | 260.55-260.70 |
| Italy | 2125-2155 |
| Belgium(Comm) | 67.80-67.90 |
| Hong Kong | 7.8015-7.8030 |
| Portugal | 185-188 |
| Spain | 186.50-186.80 |
| Austria | 23.67-23.72 |

Rates supplied by Barclays Bank HOFEX and Extel. *Lloyds Bank International.

## INVESTMENT TRUSTS

| 1984-85 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div | Yld % | P/E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 180 | 119 | Aberdeen | 180 | .. | 7.5 | 4.2 | .. |
| 101 | 58 | Alba | 99 | .. | 2.0b | 2.0 | .. |
| 438 | 338 | Alliance | 398 | ● –2 | 24.6 | 3.5 | .. |
| 155 | 88½ | Anwr Trust | 150 | .. | 3.6 | 2.4 | .. |
| 362 | 213 | Ang Amer Sec | 298 | ● –2 | 8.5 | 2.9 | .. |
| 436 | 316 | Ashdown | 436 | ● .. | 11.7 | 2.7 | .. |
| 120 | 76 | Atlantic Assets | 110 | –1 | 0.7 | 0.6 | .. |
| 102 | 67 | Bankers | 102 | .. | 3.5 | 3.4 | .. |
| 194 | 130 | Berry | 191 | .. | 1.4 | 0.7 | .. |
| 178 | 117 | Border & Sthrn | 172 | .. | 4.7 | 2.7 | .. |
| 107 | 78 | Br Amer Gen | 107 | ● .. | 3.7 | 3.5 | .. |
| 215 | 140½ | Br Assets | 207 | ● .. | 9.7b | 4.7 | .. |
| 30½ | 20½ | Br Empire Sec | 28½ | .. | 1.3 | 4.5 | .. |
| 373 | 261 | British Inv | 373 | .. | 18.2b | 4.9 | .. |
| 102 | 75 | Brunner | 79 | ● –1 | 2.9 | 3.6 | .. |
| 69 | 60 | Charter Agency | 68 | ● –1 | 3.1b | 3.5 | .. |
| 595 | 416 | Continental | 590 | ● .. | 25.7b | 3.6 | .. |
| 178 | 125 | Crescent Japan | 171 | ● –3 | 1.1 | 0.7 | .. |
| 485 | 355 | Delta | 485 | .. | 10.2 | 10.2 | .. |
| 109 | 80 | Derby Inc | 100 | .. | | | |
| 104 | 80 | Do Cap | 100 | .. | 7.7 | 7.7 | .. |
| 295 | 241 | Drayton Cons | 295 | ● –2 | 12.7 | 4.4 | .. |
| 148 | 88 | Drayton Far East | 145 | ● .. | 1.5 | 1.1 | .. |
| 420 | 282 | Drayton Japan | 417 | ● –4 | 3.6 | 0.9 | .. |
| 412 | 299 | Drayton Premier | 408 | ● .. | 18.2 | 4.5 | .. |
| 178 | 140 | Dundee Lon | 178 | ● +1 | 6.7 | 3.8 | .. |
| 235 | 148 | Edin Amer Asset | 218 | ● .. | 1.3 | 0.6 | .. |
| 117 | 87 | Edinburgh | 115 | .. +1 | 3.7 | 3.2 | .. |
| 228 | 210 | Electric Gen | 222 | .. | 4.8b | 1.8 | .. |
| 291 | 192 | English Int | 291 | .. | 9.6b | 3.3 | .. |
| 78 | 52 | English Scot | 78 | .. | 1.8 | 2.3 | .. |
| 168 | 89 | English NY | 168 | .. | 3.6 | 2.3 | .. |
| 97 | 69 | F & C Alliance | 97 | .. | 2.4 | 2.4 | .. |
| 117 | 117 | F&C Pacific | 109 | .. | 5.6b | 5.1 | .. |
| 206 | 182 | Family | 206 | ● +2 | 9.9 | 4.8 | .. |
| 279 | 194 | First Scot Amer | 279 | ● +1 | 12.6b | 4.7 | .. |
| 245 | 169 | First Un Gen | 176 | ● .. | 8.7 | 5.1 | .. |
| 282 | 242 | Fleming American | 265 | ● –5 | 7.5 | 2.8 | .. |
| 260 | 185 | Fleming Claver | 254 | ● .. | 12.4 | 4.9 | .. |
| 258 | 182 | Fleming Enterprise | 258 | ● .. | 11.1 | 4.4 | .. |
| 358 | 228 | Fleming Far East | 315 | ● +2 | 2.8 | 0.9 | .. |
| 358 | 254 | Fleming Fledgling | 355 | .. | 3.5 | 1.0 | .. |
| 560 | 390 | Fleming Japan | 555 | ● +5 | 4.3 | 0.8 | .. |
| 117 | 99 | Fleming Mercantile | 117 | ● .. | 4.3 | 3.7 | .. |
| 134 | 82 | Fleming Overseas | 125 | .. | 3.2b | 2.7 | .. |
| 183 | 119½ | Fleming Tech | 181 | .. | 3.1 | 2.9 | .. |
| 334 | 215 | Fleming Universal | 333 | .. | 9.8 | 2.9 | .. |
| 148 | 98 | For Col | 141 | ● –1 | 3.6 | 2.6 | .. |
| 121 | 88 | GBC Capital | 117 | ● +1 | | | |
| 185 | 130 | GT Japan | 181 | ● +2 | 2.0b | 1.1 | .. |
| 610 | 433 | General Funds | 610 | ● .. | 13.8 | 2.2 | .. |
| 260 | 184 | General Cons | 260 | ● .. | 12.1 | 5.1 | .. |
| 125 | 77 | Glasgow Stock | 125 | ● .. | 2.8 | 2.3 | .. |

| 1984-85 High | Low | Company | Price | Ch'ge | Gross Div | Yld % | P.E |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 276 | 197 | Globe | 274 | .. | 12.9 | 4.7 | .. |
| 222 | 176 | Greenfriar | 222 | ● +2 | 2.3 | 1.0 | .. |
| 278 | 197½ | Grehams House | 250 | .. | 5.7 | 2.3 | .. |
| 163 | 114 | Hambros | 161 | .. | 5.4 | 3.4 | .. |
| 284 | 187 | Hill (P) | 248 | –1 | 10.2 | 5.4 | .. |
| 640 | 460 | Hogg-in Sucsess | 640 | ● +2 | 11.7 | 2.3 | .. |
| 235 | 182 | Inv Cap | 234 | ● .. | 5.2 | 2.2 | .. |
| 64½ | 43 | Japan Assets | 61 | +½ | 0.1 | 0.1 | .. |
| 253 | 215 | Lon Trust View | 253 | ● .. | 6.4 | 2.5 | .. |
| 191 | 130 | Law Debenture | 189 | +2 | 7.1b | 3.8 | .. |
| 88 | 64 | Lon Merchant Sec | 70 | .. | 2.8 | 4.0 | .. |
| 107 | 71 | Lon Trust | 105 | .. | 3.9 | 3.7 | .. |
| 98 | 70 | Merchants | 97 | .. | 3.4b | 3.5 | .. |
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STOCK MARKET REPORT

# Traded options order causes stir

By Pam Spooner

James Capel, the stockbroker, caused a stir in the markets yesterday when it went onto the traded options floor and placed a large order in the FT-SE 100 index contracts.

The broker bought 1,000 SEI contracts in March 1,300 calls, a series which expires on the last trading day of this month. At a price of about 20p, the firm invested £200,000 in the option to buy the index at 1,300 at any time during the next two weeks, and that means the buyer needs a sharp jump in the index level to see a profit.

At this stage of the pre-Budget warm-up, the move looked to other market men like extreme optimism or the result of informed investment. Either way, the City was impressed, especially when it learned that Capel had been at work on the same errand in the financial futures market, Liffe.

Capel acted for an institutional client who wanted to commit money to the market. Given the shortage of stock and the difficulty of dealing in chunks of certain leading equities, the view was taken that options are the correct medium.

For a 1 per cent or so premium over the real cost of equities, the client has bought the "market". Once the Budget is out of the way, whichever direction the index moves, stock will become available, meanwhile, he is invested.

If the post-Budget mood is bullish, the Capel client will see a pleasant profit on its options purchase, while, if the market goes the other way, the loss would be comparable only to any loss showing if the institution had actually held leading equities. A downturn in the index is also likely to give the investor a chance to buy at levels below those of yesterday.

"The client has made the proper use of the options market", says Capel, emphasizing that the move was a cheap way to hedge against a heavy cash position.

**Barratt Development fell 2p to another low of 66p yesterday as the effects of a severe downgrading of forecasts by Laurie, Milbank, the stockbroker, hit home. The broker believes the house builder will make only £2.5 million in the first half, against £19.1 million in first half 1983-84; that is a long way down on other forecasts ranging from £5 million to £10 million. The broker says: "Sell. We believe the price will fall below 60p".**

Capel dealt yesterday morning, and by lunchtime the index was moving strongly in the right direction for that client. The *FT-SE* 100 share index – on which the traded options contract is based – went on through the 1,300 level again to reach a record of 1309.9, up 10.2 on the day.

The *FT* 30 share marker was also getting up steam, rising 12.4 points to a record 1,022.5. Several shares on the list helped push the index higher, with **BTR** again scoring a double-figure rise, up 22p at 741p. Market men continue to chase the stock believing the group's takeover of Dunlop will prove a bargain.

Recent favourites **Guest Keen & Nettlefolds** and **Vickers** were also moving higher, up 5p to 239p and 7p to 266p respectively, as optimism for the engineering sector grows. Recent results from GKN and TI Group have spurred the buying.

**Hanson Trust** jumped 7p to 224p, having made strong gains in the market on Thursday. A detailed circular is expected from Quilter, Goodison, the stockbroker, this month, and the firm is thought to have been buying strongly in recent days.

While leading equities enjoyed a heavy mark-up in price, government stocks also improved by around 50p as supplies of the 2½ per cent index-linked stock were exhausted. Pre-Budget nervousness in the gilts market appeared to dissipate, despite the rise in US interest rates on Thursday night which threaten to prevent cuts in rates in Britain.

On the engineering pitches, share prices were several pence better as the sector continues to prove popular. Suggestions that **T I Group** may be the object of bid attention helped the price gain 8p to 248p, though a bidder for the engineering company has yet to show its hand.

**Celtic Haven** shares had a strong boost from half-time results which showed a move back into profit. The engineering and plant hire group achieved a pretax plus of £54,000 against a loss of £125,000 in the comparable period a year ago.

Turnover was down from £1.19 million to £868,000, but the company also announced acquisition of Miletree Construction, a civil engineering company. Celtic will pay £215,000 and a portion of future profits for Miletree, which made £73,000 in 1983 and is expected to produce profits of £85,000 for 1984. Celtic shares rose 4p to 40½p.

**Turner & Newall** shares dipped 3p to 115p beside an announcement from Robert Fleming Investment Management that if has reduced its holdings in T & N by 1 million shares, leaving the bankers and its associates with 16.25 per cent of the industrial group.

Formal clearance came through yesterday for the takeover of **Seccombe Marshall & Campion**, the discount house, by Citicorp International, the American banking conglomerate. Seccombe shares were unchanged at 430p yesterday, 10p below the value of the bid.

Shares in the **Lilleshall Company** were unchanged at 65p as the Manny Davidson Discretionary Trust announced that it has bought 15,000 more shares of the company, taking its stake to 8.6 per cent.

**Norfolk Capital Group** also held steady at 26p when the Kuwait Investment Office said it has 14.38 million shares in the hotel company. The Kuwaitis nownow have 14.2 per cent of Norfolk, 1 per cent more than previously declared.

The Kuwaitis also declared a reduction in their holding in **Equity & Law Life Assurance**. The KIO has 4.98 per cent, against just over 5 per cent. Equity & Law shares dipped 7p to 243p alongside a life assurance sector damaged by pre-Budget nervousness.

Worries about what the Chancellor might do on Tuesday to the tax advantages enjoyed by pensions funds have lingered. Recently, analysts appeared to believe that Mr Lawson will not do much. The Life Assurance sector had, therefore, moved ahead.

But worry returned yesterday and the analyst Mr Roger Harvey, of the stockbroker W. Greenwell, says there could be a 5 to 10 per cent downturn in share prices if the optimists are wrong. Losses of a few pence were scattered across the lists.

Insurance brokers and composite groups were moving in the other direction, fired by the comments this from Sedgwick. Though the broker disappointed with 1984 results, the market heard good news for the present and next year. Premium rates are rising in the US and demand outstrips capacity.

Share prices gained from between 9p for **Hogg Robinson**, at 306p, to 34p for **Willis Faber** at 705p.

On the composites list, **General Accident** showed a 20p rise to 583p as market appreciation of the group's strong balance sheet continues. Mr Harvey and other analysts have been recommending switches into GA from **Royal Insurance** and **Commercial Union**, though the latter two also made gains – Royal by 15p to 603p and CU by 2p to 198p.

**Noble Grossart, the Scots investment bankers, and Kitcat & Aitken, the stockbroker, have sold a novel idea to institutions. They are bringing out the Plantation Trust, an investment trust aimed at permanent crop assets, such as nuts and citrus fruits. Institutional buyers have subscribed around £10 million, but they will not get all they want. Twenty-five per cent of the trust is being offered publicly at 725p a unit (comprising five shares, one warrant and 250p nominal of convertible stock).**

## Traded option highlights

**Boosted by the business from James Capel, the index contract on the traded options market was among the most heavily traded yesterday, with 2,864 contracts changing hands. British Telecom provided another 2,936 of the volume, which reached a healthy 13,060 total.**

**Commercial Union contracts were also in demand, with 1,056 calls and 56 puts traded. The gilts contract was also popular; 220 contracts were dealt in, which is a sizeable amount for that option.**

**Prices traded generally quietly, though the March 1300 call SEI price was up 7p at 20p-22p by the close. There were also heavy gains in call contracts in BTR.**

## RECENT ISSUES

| | Closing Price |
|---|---|
| BTS Group 10p Ord (62pa) | 73+3 |
| Bennett & Fountain 10p Ord (10a) | 12 |
| Bluebird Toys 10p Ord (90a) | 140 |
| Cons Tern Inv 20p Ord (105a) | 96–1 |
| Cullen's Hldgs 10p Ord | 124+2 |
| German Smaller Co's Inv Units | 110 |
| Hillsdown Hldgs 10p Ord* | 161+3 |
| Mann & Co 20p Ord (145) | 156 |
| Mayhew Foods 10p Ord (100a) | 128–2 |
| Memcom Int 10p Ord (a) | 290 |
| Optometrics (U.S.A.) 1c par value (55a) | 45 |
| Osborne & Little 5p Ord (125a) | 208–7 |
| Pacific Assets Tst 50p Ord (100) | 76–1 |
| Pepe Group 10p Ord (100a) | 101 |
| Sims Catering Butch 5p Ord (128a) | 153–8 |
| Spafax Television 25p Ord (68a) | 103–1 |
| Synapse Comp Serv 5p Ord (174a) | 225+5 |
| Whitworth's Food 5p Ord (96a) | 118–2 |
| Issue price in parentheses a Securities, * by tender. | Unlisted |

TEMPUS

# Rationalization is now key task for BBA

Since Dr John White arrived to run BBA from the relative security of the Tarmac main board in October he has wasted no time in improving the company's management. Having trimmed the middle management fat, he is now setting about giving the remaining team something to manage.

Formal conditional agreements to buy Cape's automotive interests have been exchanged, and to help with the financing the company announced a £8.1 million rights issue. The most important task which faces the group is the rationalization and integration of two businesses in the UK.

The British friction materials industry suffers from chronic overcapacity. BBA's Mintex and Cape's Don International were both losing money in 1984. As the industry, dominated by Ferodo, has refused to rationalize itself, BBA will undertake the task instead.

A return to profitability in Britain is an essential part of the new strategy for BBA. It has made an after-interest profit here only once since 1979, which accounts for the company's massive 77 per cent tax rate. British profits are sheltered from tax for years to come, but first they must be earned.

Yesterday's preliminary figures confirmed the problem. Pretax profits dipped slightly from £5.5 million to £5.4 million, but they were all earned overseas.

Gearing increased from 49 per cent to 55. After allowing for the rights and cost of acquisition this should fall again in 1985. The reduction will be achieved since BBA believes it can finance the rationalization out of the immediate benefits of linking Cape's business with its own.

It looks a very good deal for BBA

BBA shares closed down 2p at 70p. The recovery will not really be felt until 1986 and beyond, but the signs are that it is moving firmly in the right direction.

### Grattan

Time was when mail order thrived as a downmarket version of the middle-class dream – and on credit, too, my dear! Pundits calculated that this bizarre segment of the retailing world would disappear in the high speed world of computerized modern retailing.

But Grattan, under new management, spotted a number of vital gaps in the market. It spent heavily on computers, which helped to take chunks of clerical cost out of the business, while boosting point-of-sale stock controls. The group beefed up its merchandising side. It spread its wings in the 1980s "credit for all" revolution. And it began tinkering with the traditional mail order/agent/catalogue set-up.

Agents are intermediate between the group and the public via the catalogue. But computers facilitate direct selling via slightly less cumbersome catalogue additions. This reorients the agents' role, and boosts margins. Of some two million customers, Grattan is still only selling direct to some 400,000. Margin improvement has a long way still to go.

So, too, has the profits recovery. This year may see profits move ahead another £3 million to £12.5 million, leaving the rating at 188p about 8. This is too low for a group which may be leading a small retailing revolution.

### Mitchell Cotts

Not wishing to be left out of the rights issue rush, Mitchell Cotts weighed in with a cash call for £12.5 million yesterday. The reasons for the rights are not quite as specific as for BBA and will be applied to reduce borrowings of nearly £50 million in the first place.

However, the longer term implication is that the company is preparing itself for expansion in Britain. Almost 60 per cent of profits are generated at home

Interim results released yesterday reveal that in the first half pretax profits rose from £3.5 million to £4.2 million. There was some benefit from improved tea prices in Africa, but it was the domestic activities which performed best and helped compensate in some measure for the poor results from South Africa.

The shares have come a long way from their low of 32p in 1983, and at 76p down 5½p yesterday the price made the rights easier to get away. However, the yield attractions have reduced and without some indication of sustainable growth the shares are unlikely to be re-rated.

### Gilts

The Government Broker rounded off an aggressive sales effort last week by exhausting his £150 million tranche of 2016 index-linked stock. But he failed to keep a date with tradition at 3.30 by announcing a tap, pre-Budget.

Wise men like Mr Stephen Lewis, of Phillips and Drew, and Mr John Wilmot, of Pember & Boyle, estimate, however, that the rain of taps will begin again shortly.

Mr Lewis foresees a short tap, perhaps even an index-linked convertible, while Mr Wilmot pictures the Old Lady poised to strike with taplets almost as soon as the Chancellor sits down.

## COMPANY NEWS

● **J.N. NICHOLAS (VITMO):** Final 2.75p, making 5.25p (4.5p) for 1984. Figs in £000. Turnover 19,492 (19,429). Profit before tax 4,311 (4,356). Tax charges 1,728 (2,110). EPS 15.8p (14.0p).

● **CAMELLIA INVESTMENTS:** Final 6p, making 10p (9p) for 1948. Figures in £000. (Comparisons restated). Group turnover 1,752 (1,357). Profit before tax 509 (189). Tax 4 (credit 171). Minority interest 33 (25). Extraordinary debits 71 (99). Profit attributable 400 (236). EPS 18.58p (13.24p).

● **HOUSE PROPERTY CO OF LONDON:** Final 6p making 9p (same) for 1984. Pretax revenue £351,867 (£179,000). EPS 26.69p (10.03p).

● **CELTIC HAVEN:** Half-year to Sept. 30. Interim 0.25p (same). Figs in £000. Turnover 868 (1,194). Pretax profit 54 (125).

● **ENTERTAINMENT PRODUCTION SERVICES:** Half-year to Oct. 31. The board intends to recommend a final of 2.25p for the full year, as forecast in the prospectus. Figs in £000. Turnover 1,497 (1,395). Pretax profit 45 (174). It is now clear that the profit forecast for the full year will not be met, due to the adverse market conditions. Based on the number of films under contract to customers at the end of February 1985, the directors expect that the profit for the year ending April 30 will about £200,000.

● **LAW DEBENTURE CORP:** Final 3.25p, making 5.5p (4.75p) for 1984. Figs in £000. Net pretax revenue 2,476 (2,060).

● **GEORGE OLIVER FOOTWEAR:** Final 6.4p, making 8p (7p) for 1984. Figs in £000. Turnover 38,715 (36,775). Trading profit 2,063 (2,212). Pretax profit 2,685 (2,578).

● **BURNS-ANDERSON** has acquired on behalf of its offshoot, Knibbs (MANCHESTER), the capital of Moss Side Motors which holds the Fiat franchise for the Macclesfield area. The cost of the acquisition and value of net assets acquired is £95,760.

● **CULLEN'S HOLDINGS** is considering selling 28 of its off-licence branches and its wines and spirits warehouse in Battersea. The chairman, Mr Peter Matthews, said that this was part of a reorganization which had been in progress since Cullen's Holdings took over Cullen's Stores in January. Cullen's is also seeking buyers for its two-and-a-half acre site at Dorking. For the time being the head office remains at Dorking.

● **TRANSPORT DEVELOPMENT GROUP:** Dividend 4p (3.5p), making 5.6p (5p) for 1984. Figures in £000. Turnover 434,651 (26,351). Net interest payable 7,474 (5,371). Pretax profit 24,060 (20,980). Tax 9,075 (7,211). Minorities 193 (260). Extraordinary debits 1,016 (credits 660). EPS 10.83p (10.12p). Net tangible assets per ordinary share 99.1p (101.2p).

● **KLEINWORT BENSON EUROBOND:** Results for six months to March 6. Interim dividend per income share 64.18p ross (60.64p gross). Figures in £000. Gross revenue 814 (712) before net equalization (accrued income payment) on issues (redemptions) of shares of 3 (118). Net revenue 744 (776) NAV per income share ex/dividend £17.29 (£15.39 ex/dividend) and per accumulation share – (£17.10). Accumulation shares were redesignated as income shares in October, 1984.

● **FRESHBAKE FOOD** has agreed to acquire McKellar Watt for the nominal consideration of £1. Completion will take place at the end of this month. In addition, Clydesdale Bank has released McKellar Watt from part of its indebtedness amounting to £1.25 million and has agreed to convert a further £1.7 million of short-term loans and overdrafts into 170,000 fully paid preference shares of £1 each in McKellar Watt at a premium of 19 per share.

● **JARVIS AND SONS:** Results for six months to Sept 30. Interim 7.2p (7.2p). Figures in £000. Turnover 8,946 (8,104). Pretax loss 207 (profit 210). Tax credit 105 (debit 100), leaving loss 102 (profit 110 before minorities 33).


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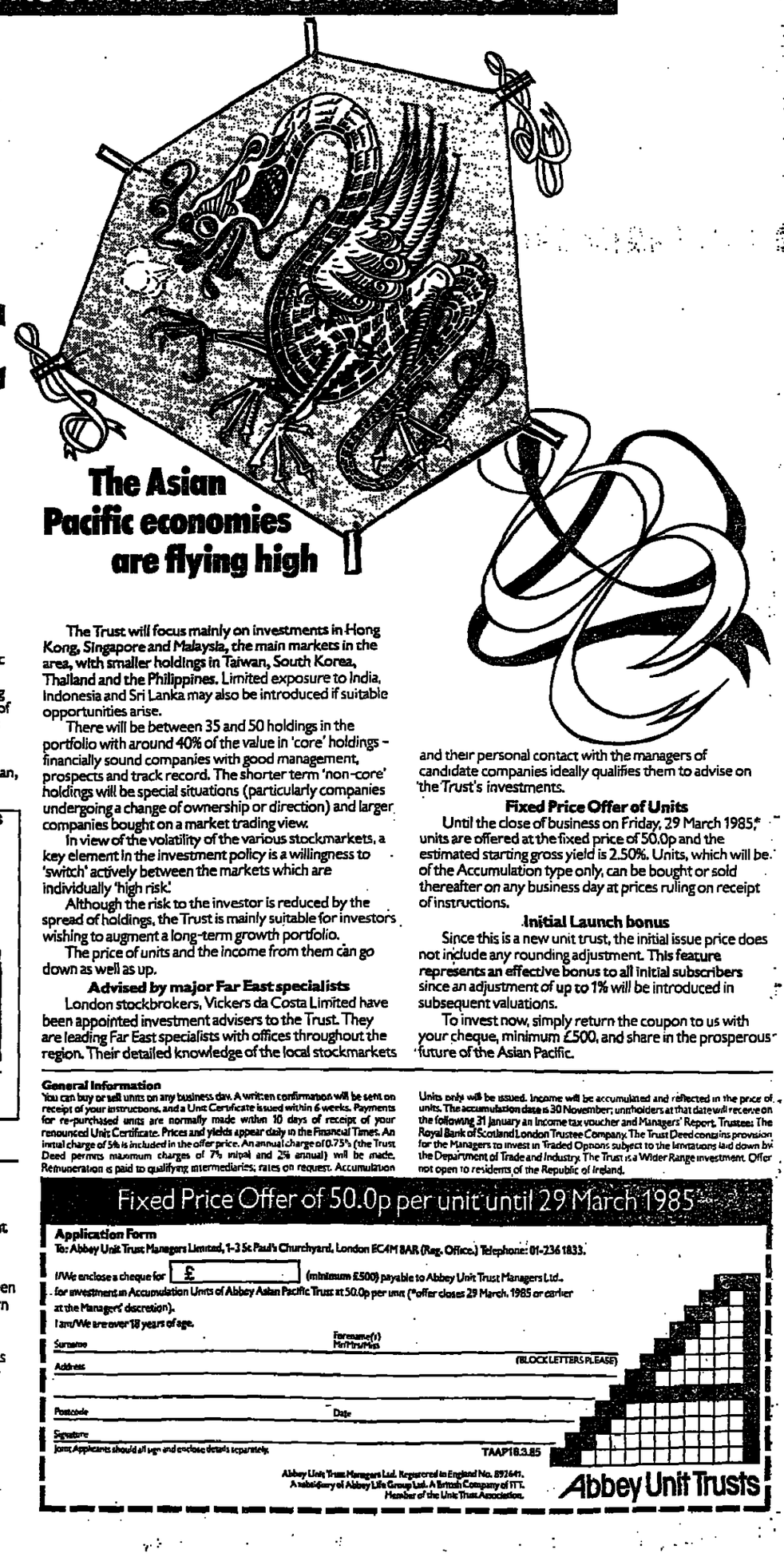
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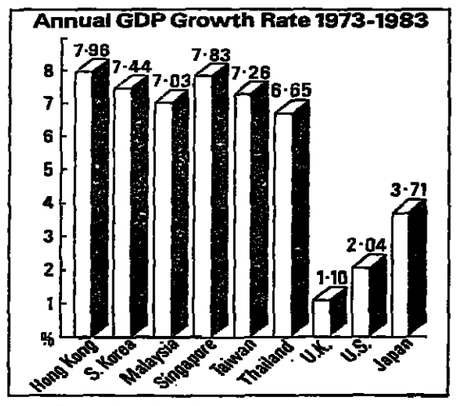


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UNIT TRUSTS

# M & G hedges its US funds against fall in dollar

Fund managers M & G have hedged all their United States invested funds. The significance of this is that M & G have adamantly set their face against hedging any of their funds in the past, and for such shrewd investment managers to do an about face says something significant about the dollar.

"We think that the rise in the dollar is probably unsustainable in the short-term, so last week we hedged 30 per cent of all our American funds with back-to-back loans," says Mr Richard Angus.

"We have had a good run, but people started to say: Aren't you going to do something? We are not saying that the dollar has peaked, but we are effectively taking some of our profits".

M & G has arranged a 12-month back-to-back loan at the dollar exchange rate of $1.065.

Hedging is a means of reducing the currency risk in a fund where investments are made in foreign currency. With the dollar hitting new highs against the pound, investment managers are worried that the profits they have made on the currency appreciation will be wiped out overnight if the dollar takes a sudden tumble.

"As of today we see no reason to hedge our funds," says Mr Barry Bateman, of Fidelity, though Fidelity does have an offshore fund, Sterling American Fund, which offers the option of a fully hedged or unhedged investment.

"The way we look at things is on a technical basis, and so far as the charts are concerned, they all point downwards for sterling."

If the charts turn, Fidelity will hedge its funds by up to 75 per cent – but not all at once. "The reason we are loath to do it at the moment is that the investment industry tends to get it wrong. Last year we hedged a little bit, but we rapidly unwound the situation", he explains.

"But if anybody gets it right it is usually luck. Though we are unhedged, it could change overnight. At these levels you have to watch what's going on very closely. We are not quite convinced that we have yet seen the bottom."

At Gartmore, Mr Adrian Collins' view is decidely different. This weekend sees the launch of Gartmore's Hedged American Trust, the first new trust from Gartmore for two years, and a clear indication of their thinking on the dollar-/pound exchange rate.

Like many other fund managers Mr Collins believes that the United States is still the place to be so far as company growth potential is concerned, but he believes that the exchange rate risk is too great to run an unhedged fund.

Gartmore says that its new fund will be the only UK unit trust which is not exposed to the US dollar at all – in other words, it is 100 per cent hedged.

Like M & G, Gartmore has used back-to-back loans to secure the hedging, but would dearly love to use currency futures and options. At the moment the Department of Trade will not allow unit trusts to hedge their currency risks in this way – but fund managers are keeping their fingers crossed that there will soon be a change of heart.



David Glasgow: I feel very uncomfortable in dollars



Adrian Collins: The US is still the place to be

David Glasgow, who manages the Abbey unit trusts, is watching the sterling-dollar exchange rate very nervously. "Our two American funds were about 50 per cent hedged, but we increased this recently to about 55 per cent, and we might go further", he says.

"We certainly think that the dollar is overvalued, but the trick is predicting the market, and fundamental analysis doesn't seem to be reacting so well. It is what the speculators do that is important, I feel very uncomfortable in dollars."

He believes he will be hedging funds even further, but is still worried. "Most of us get it wrong." But like Gartmore he believes that the speculative element is now too great to ignore.

So what should the investor with an American invested unit trust do? The chart show the top 20 performing US funds over the past 12 months. Investors in these funds have seen a profit of anything between 50 to 70 per cent.

If you believe the dollar-/pound exchange rate has peaked, ask your fund manager if the unit trust is hedged. If it isn't and you think the risk of a fall in the dollar is too great, then it might be wise to realise your profits – particularly if you haven't taken advantage of the £5,600 exemption from capital gains tax for the current year.

Alternatively, you could cash in and move into one of the American funds that is partially or fully hedged.

**Lorna Bourke**

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| Allied American Spec Sits | 167.6 | 294.7 |
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| Scottish Life American | 166.3 | – |
| Royal London American | 163.3 | – |
| F & C American | 163.2 | – |
| Lloyds Bk North American | 159.0 | 238.2 |
| Henderson North American | 158.1 | 254.2 |
| James Capel North American | 156.9 | 269.9 |
| Cannon North American | 155.7 | – |
| Wardley American | 155.5 | 252.4 |
| Fielding American & Gen | 153.6 | 229.3 |
| GRE North American | 153.0 | – |
| *Allied Securities of America* | 152.7 | 254.2 |
| Govett American Growth | 152.3 | – |
| Equity and Law North America | 151.9 | 282.4 |
| Barclayunic America | 150.1 | 231.5 |
| M & G American recovery | 149.2 | 307.2 |
| Abbey American Growth | 149.2 | 242.9 |

Source: Planned Savings.

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This week, Mr Keith Rogers, of Ipswich, offers advice which he says has worked for him. It needs two things before you start: the first is secrecy from your broker and the other is to use the formula for one perk at a time.

He started with the goal of wanting to take advantage of Trusthouse Forte's share perk which allows a 10 per cent discount on leisure gift cheques up to a maximum of £2,000. These can be used in settlement of accounts at THF hotels, restaurants and other establishments.

Using the ex-dividend approach, he bought 500 THF shares at 116p each in March through a colleague in a local stockbroker. Dealing costs came to £10. He sold almost all the THF shares at 125p 10 days later to cover his dealing cost. The deals were within the account, saving costs of purchase and sale and he retained five THF shares to be eligible for the perk.

He then re-used the same capital to purchase a block of Maunders shares. Mr Rogers says that using this method and adopting a two-year view of the operation the same capital can be effectively used several times over to retain a cache of perk producing shares.

However, it is important to avoid using a bank as an intermediary. Mr Rogers says it is helpful to use two brokers if you wish to shorten the two-year span, and investors should remember to cost it to their advantage and ignore the brokers' comments on charges.

He says perk-seekers should also be prepared to note dividend dates and chart share price movements for a limited period.

Mr Rogers confides that when he first used the method to gain THF shares, his broker was furious. Then he rang him back two days later apologizing for his ire and said he had done the same thing and was taking his wife on a THF holiday, too.

**Philip Robinson**


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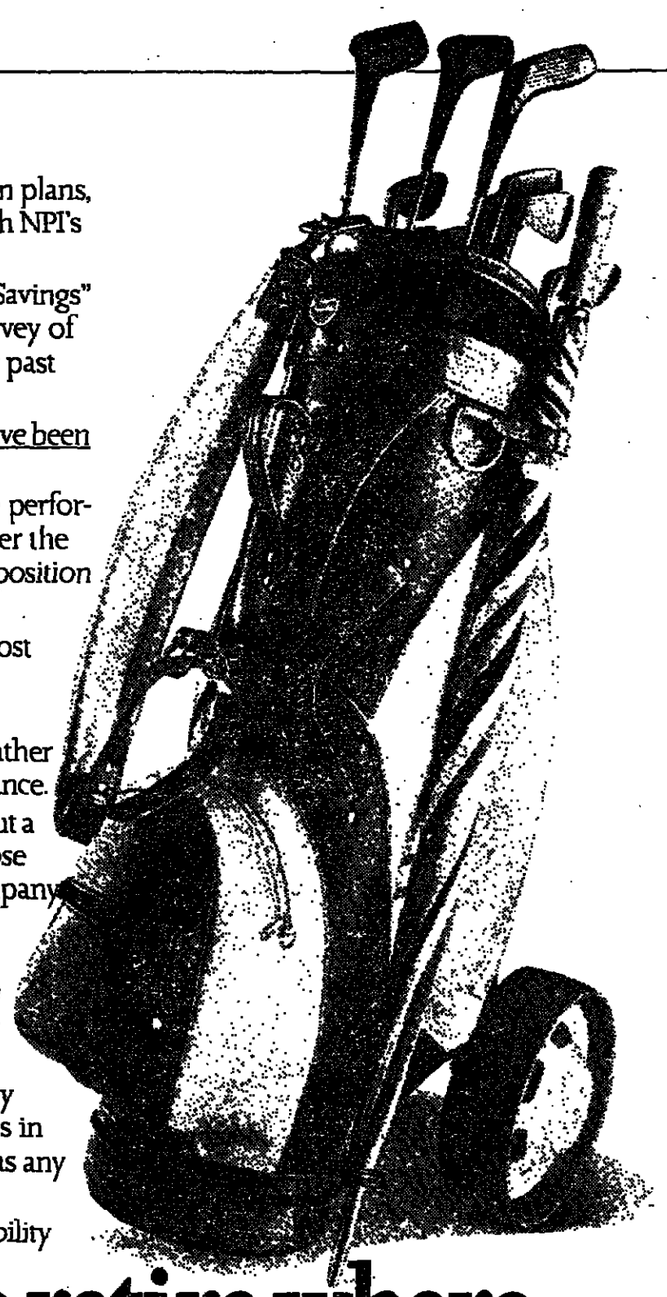
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## Age Concern plea

Higher tax allowances for all retired people and a review of the tax position of retirement income and pension contributions are among the measures proposed for the Budget by Age Concern, England.

"If there are to be any tax cuts, retired people should benefit to the same extent as the rest of the population," it says in its pre-Budget submission to the Chancellor.

Age Concern points out that pensioners were badly treated last year when age allowance (the special higher personal allowance granted to those over the age of 65) was raised by only 5.5 per cent for single pensioners, and 5.3 per cent for married couples, compared with a 12.3 per cent rise in single personal allowances and a 12.9 per cent rise for married couples under the age of 65.

The age allowance would have to be raised to at least £2,790 for a single person and £4,455 for a married couple to make up the lost value and allow for inflation.

Age Concern is also strongly opposed to any introduction of VAT on fuel, food and publications, and also wants an allowance for all bereaved spouses (widowers do not qualify) and higher dependant relative allowance and blind person's allowance.

## Learn from Laura

The death of Laura Archer in the radio series, *The Archers*, does not on the face of it sound as though it has much to do with money. But the Birmingham solicitor Glaisyers has used this as an example to show how important it is to leave a valid will.

"Too often people do not even get as far as preparing a will – they take the view that it isn't necessary because, 'the law will sort it out when I'm gone'," Mr Chris Williams of Glaisyers commented. "But as Colonel Danby is finding out, the law may well decide the matter in a way which ignores the obvious wishes of the deceased."

Glaisyers has produced a booklet, *Why make a will*, aimed at bringing home to people the possible consequences of dying intestate. Copies of the booklet are available free from: Mr C. Williams, Glaisyers, Alpha Tower, Suffolk Street, Queensway, Birmingham B1 1TR (Tel: 021 632 5881).

## Abbey refuge

Hot tip of the week- Abbey Life, which is being floated as a separate entity from its parent company, ITT, is looking at ways of rewarding its policyholders with a preferential share offer when the company is quoted on the Stock Exchange.

Anyone wanting to get a piece of the action should nip out and buy an Abbey policy of some sort. A single premium pension policy linked to Abbey Equity Fund might might be the one to go for, because if you are in non-pensionable employment or self employed you will qualify for tax relief.

The performance tables show that £500 a year invested in Abbey Equity starting five years ago, would have produced a cash fund of £4,716 compared with the top performer, Target, at £6,771 and the second best London & Manchester Investment Trust at £5,574.

## Barclays boost

The latest of the plethora of new accounts to emerge ahead of the banks moving to the composite rate tax system next month is a higher rate deposit account from Barclays Bank, requiring a minimum £3,000 deposit. It pays interest of 13.25 per cent, rising to 13.75 per cent once the balance reaches £10,000.

From April 6, when tax will have to be deducted at source, the net rate on smaller sums will be 9.9 per cent, equivalent to 14.14 per cent gross for basic rate taxpayers. There are no restrictions on withdrawals except for a £200 maximum on Saturday, but if the balance slips below £1,000 the terms and restrictions of a seven-day deposit apply.

## Three-way choice

Scottish Mutual has come up with an investment plan which offers three options. You can go for the safety fund for minimum risk, the growth fund for long-term capital growth, or the opportunity fund if you are more adventurous and can afford to risk part of your money.

Investors can also choose between ten different Scottish Mutual funds, UK Equities, UK Smaller Companies, gilts, index-linked, property, cash, European, North American, Pacific and International.

"Unit-linked investment bonds have until now appealed to a relatively insignificant share of the total investment market – in spite of tax efficiency and growth performance. The reason is that their appeal has been directed almost exclusively at minorities. It is not surprising that the vast majority of investors in these bonds have chosen mixed or pooled funds," commented Mr Douglas McKinnon, general manager of Scottish Mutual. Details from Scottish Mutual, 109 Vincent Street, Glasgow, G2 5HN.

## Easy-pay scheme

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It looks at the role mortgage and insurance brokers, solicitors and estate agents play in house purchase, and includes a check list of additional costs that a housebuyer is likely to face. *Buying Your Own Home* is free from Gresham Life Assurance Society, 2-6 Prince of Wales Road, Bournemouth, BH4 9HD. Tel: (0202) 767655.

## Benefit 'priority'

A large increase in child benefit must be a central priority in any reform of the social security system, says a National Consumer Council pamphlet. It adds: "The support that families now get from the State is less in real terms than it was in 1955 under the old system of family allowance and child tax allowance.

"The tax system has become more and more biased against families with children, yet recent research shows that the living standards of families with children are falling behind. For example, those families with both children under five and children at school are worse off than pensioners, and only half as well off on average as young couples without children".

The NCC believes that child benefit should be raised and would strongly oppose any move to tax it. One of the options proposed in the Green Paper on the *Taxation of Husband and Wife* was that the married man's allowance should be abolished and the money used to increase child benefits. The NCC has calculated that this would give the Government sufficient leeway to increase child benefit by as much as £5 a week.

## Sensible switch

As composite rate tax is not reclaimable by non-taxpayers, switching money to a Channel Islands account where interest will continue to be paid gross, is sensible for these investors, say investment managers Save & Prosper.

However, for basic rate taxpayers, the message is to stay onshore. "The Inland Revenue has imposed a composite rate of tax of 25.25 per cent, whereas the basic rate of tax is currently 30 per cent, and tax-paying bank account holders should benefit from this tax saving.

"At current rates, this means that customers will receive a net rate of interest the gross equivalent of which is almost a full percentage point higher than the actual gross rate," says S & P.

## Better homes call

A strategy to cover home improvements over the next 10 years was urgently needed, Lord Ezra said yesterday. Speaking at the National Home Improvement Council's annual luncheon he said: "Such a strategy is fully justified in view of the continuing deterioration in the quality of Britain's homes."

A report published in January by the National Economic Development Organization shows that there is no proper policy for the repair and renewal of the nation's physical assets, and it has been estimated that the total cost of putting right all the defects in the national housing stock would be roughly £36 billion at today's prices.

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## Income DIVIDEND FUND

An investor of £10,000 at the Fund's launch in May 1964 has seen his income after basic-rate tax grow from £396 in the first full year to £2,018 in 1984.

By contrast, a building society investor's annual income has fluctuated, rising from £536 in 1965 to £1,200 in 1980 and then falling back to £853 by 1984. So anyone who depended on a building society for income has suffered a cut back over the past 4 years, whilst Dividend Fund investors continued to enjoy a steadily increasing income.

In addition, the Dividend Fund investor's £10,000 had grown to £54,300 by the end of December 1984 compared with £27,271 from a similar notional investment in the F.T. Industrial Ordinary Index and £10,000 in a building society deposit which, of course, remained unchanged.

If you need income which will grow over the years M&G Dividend Fund could be your ideal investment, because we will continue to make income growth the prime objective. The Fund invests in a wide range of ordinary shares and the aim is to provide a high and growing return with a yield about 50% higher than that of the F.T. Actuaries All-Share Index.

**COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE TABLE** of £10,000 invested in income units at the launch of M&G Dividend Fund on 6th May, 1964, compared with a similar investment in a Building Society

| Year to 31 DECEMBER | INCOME | | CAPITAL | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| | M&G DIVIDEND | BUILDING SOCIETY | M&G DIVIDEND | BUILDING SOCIETY |
| 6 May '64 | – | – | **£10,000** | £10,000 |
| 1965 | **£396** | £536 | **10,200** | 10,000 |
| 1970 | **463** | 650 | **10,760** | 10,000 |
| 1975 | **828** | 871 | **16,300** | 10,000 |
| 1980 | **1,660** | 1,200 | **24,280** | 10,000 |
| 1984 | **2,018** | 853 | **54,300** | 10,000 |

NOTES All income figures shown are net of basic rate tax
The Building Society income figures are based on the average of the rates offered on each year (source Building Societies Association)
M&G Dividend's capital figures are all realisation values

## Growth RECOVERY FUND

M&G Recovery Fund is probably the most successful unit trust ever launched. The table below shows just how well it has achieved its aim of capital growth over the long term. The Fund buys the shares of companies which have fallen on hard times. Losses must be expected when a company fails to recover but the effect of a turnround can be dramatic.

**COMPARATIVE PERFORMANCE TABLE** of £10,000 invested at the launch of M&G Recovery Fund on 23rd May, 1969, with net income reinvested.

| Year to 31 DECEMBER | M&G RECOVERY | F.T. ORDINARY INDEX | RETAIL PRICE INDEX | BUILDING SOCIETY |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 23 May '69 | **£10,000** | £10,000 | £10,000 | £10,000 |
| 1970 | **11,760** | 8,570 | 11,020 | 11,058 |
| 1975 | **26,400** | 11,121 | 21,263 | 16,178 |
| 1980 | **102,560** | 17,287 | 40,175 | 25,521 |
| 1984 | **214,720** | 39,977 | 52,405 | 36,769 |

NOTES All figures include reinvested income net of basic rate tax
The Building Society figures are based on an extra interest account offering 1½% above the average yearly rate (source Building Societies Association)
M&G Recovery figures are all realisation values

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| 1965 | **31,947** | 26,230 | 13,492 | 16,093 |
| 1970 | **47,537** | 30,540 | 17,143 | 21,636 |
| 1975 | **81,843** | 39,620 | 33,107 | 31,651 |
| 1980 | **200,813** | 61,600 | 62,494 | 49,931 |
| 1984 | **463,879** | 142,410 | 81,519 | 71,938 |

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TAX CONCESSIONS

# Nursery campaign fosters an unlikely alliance in Parliament

**Hopes are running high that the Chancellor will move to reform the taxation situation between husband and wife. But even more pressing – particularly for single parents – is a decision on the tax treatment of workplace nurseries, which came under attack from the Revenue over a year ago. Vivien Goldsmith takes a look at the latest developments in the campaign to obtain some tax concession on this vital facility.**



**Expensive perk: parents at Kingsway are fighting a demand for six years back tax**

The campaign to hold back the Inland Revenue from the nursery door after parents at Kingsway children's centre, London, were asked to pay tax on contributions to fees by their employers, has found strong support.

Sir Geoffrey Johnson Smith, the Tory MP who was one of the back-benchers who galvanized opposition to cuts in student grants, has taken up the cause in the Commons alongside Labour MP and feminist campaigner Jo Richardson. And the School Fees Insurance Agency (SFIA) which has an educational trust whose main purpose is to help parents pay for private education, plans to make grants from the trust to parents with children at workplace nurseries.

Mr John Moore, Treasury minister, has refused to see a delegation from the Workplace Nurseries Campaign before the Budget, but Sir Geoffrey said: "If there is no concession in the Budget I think it is worth having to go with an amendment to the Finance Bill."

The campaigners have given up hope of persuading the Government to allow employers' contributions to nursery places to be tax free. They are fighting on the fall-back position of dropping demands for back tax from people who never dreamt that they might be liable, and having the employers' contributions liable for tax at a special scale in the same way that company cars are taxed.

Kingsway is used by several employers such as London Weekend Television, but so far only employees of the National and Local Government Officers Association (NALGO) have received tax demands. Like other Kingsway parents, they pay £115 a month towards a nursery place, and their employers contribute £230. Now *the taxman is asking for £70 a* month (tax at 30 per cent on the £230 paid by the employers) – and back tax for the past six years.

Both the Equal Opportunities Commission and the Consumers' Association have always told people that nursery places were not subject to a "perks" tax, as the Inland Revenue had made an extra-statutory concession. But the Revenue says that there is no concession and the organizations had got it wrong.

A chartered accountant has described the move to collect back tax for all these years as not just moving the goalposts, but deeming them to have been moved for last week's match as well.

The problem in rallying support for the campaign is that those workplace nurseries which have not been identified by the Revenue are keen to keep a low profile.

The Revenue claims that it has not levied the tax before because it was not aware of the employers' contributions. Fifteen parents are appealing against the assessment and are awaiting a date for the hearing before either the general or the special commissioners. NALGO has paid back tax up to April 1983 as part of a negotiated lump sum payment.

Meanwhile, the uncertainty over the tax position has left Kingsway with empty places. It only has 24 children, although there are places for 37. But it has a waiting list of children whose parents are holding back until the outcome of the appeal and any possible Budget changes.

The nursery co-ordinator, *Miss Vanessa Scheppers*, said: "We are slightly cheaper per head than local authority nurseries. Most of our costs are staffing. We comply with local authority standards, which means that we have to have one staff for every baby under 18 months old, and one for every four or five older children."

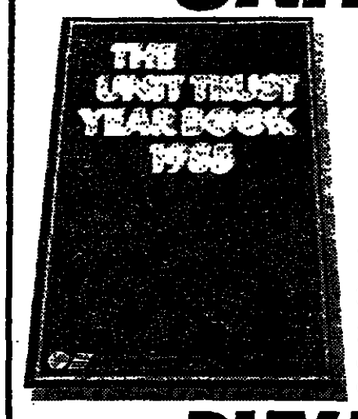
*Mr Alan Mathewson*, of the Workplace Nurseries Campaign, said they accepted that employers' contributions were taxable, but were pressing for tax concessions in line with the company car formula as the price of gaining Tory back-bench support, although they had a commitment from the Labour party to make the workplace nursery tax-free. "It may make the difference between nurseries closing and staying open."

The SFIA believes it has found a technical way around the taxation problem. Just as their school fees plans use an educational charity to gain tax advantages for parents paying school fees, it believes that if employers contributed to an independent charitable body that gave grants to parents with children in workplace nurseries, the contributions would not be *taxable because the direct link* between employer and employee would be broken.

Last year the SFIA educational trust gave £800,00 to charity, while £15 million was *drawn out to pay school fees* directly for parents who had invested in a SFIA plan.

Mr John Hastings, of SFIA, said they would be willing to "prime the pump" with £50,000 to activate a workplace nurseries fund within the SFIA trust. They would then look to employers with nurseries to make donations, although the money could not be precisely earmarked for their own employees. Parents would be encouraged to apply for grants via the nursery.


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# The value of knowing your APR

Not everyone has been thrilled by the recent boost in the rates of interest paid on building society deposit accounts. One of our readers complains about the Woolwich's "improvement" on its seven-day account which was to raise the interest rate from 8.75 to 9.0 per cent.

But interest on the old account was paid six-monthly, on the new account it is paid annually. "For me this means losing the use of some £180 half yearly for the sake of a miserable 0.25 per cent annum."

The Woolwich points out that he can easily withdraw the equivalent in capital out of his account at the six-month stage and be no worse off. But the reader's complaint has a wider relevance for all investors: knowing the truth about what rate they are really getting on their investment.

Although the nominal rate on the Woolwich account has risen by 0.25 per cent, the annual percentage rate – what you actually get at the end of a full year after reinvested interest has compounded – has hardly changed. The old rate on six-monthly interest gives an APR of 8.94 per cent while the new rate on annual interest gives an APR of 9 per cent. So although there has been an improvement on the rate of interest, it is pretty marginal.

Surprisingly, building societies are not obliged to quote the APR rate as well as the nominal rate on advertisements for their investment accounts. But they should be, since the APR is the only precise way of comparing accounts within or between societies.

Oddly enough, quoting an APR on mortgage loans where it is arguably less necessary, is in fact obligatory for banks, and will become so for building societies after September 1. It is required under the Consumer Credit Act which was introduced to protect consumers against disguised rates of interest on deals such as hire purchase arrangements.

**RT**

HOUSEBUYING

# Plan to end solicitors' monopoly will not cut conveyancing costs

The prospect of greater competition and lower costs on house conveyancing is still a long way off, according to critics of the Administration of Justice Bill now heading for its third reading in the House of Lords.

The Bill is meant, among other things, to break the virtual monopoly on conveyancing held by the country's 35,000 solicitors. Yet surprisingly, its most vociferous opponents are turning out to be those the Bill aims to help most – the non-lawyers who offer conveyancing at a fraction of solicitors' costs.

If the Bill goes through as it stands it will only confirm the solicitors' monopoly, say the conveyancers. Many independent observers agree. Mr Joe Bradshaw, author of *Bradshaw's Guide to Do-It-Yourself House Buying, Selling and Conveyancing*, believes that "the Bill will double conveyancing fees in less than two years when solicitors and existing conveyancers realize what it does."

The Bill is based on the report of the Farron Committee, set up by the Government to consider how to widen competition and choice in conveyancing services. It was hoped that this would also lead to a fall in conveyancing costs. The issue was first aired by Mr Austin Mitchell, a Labour MP, whose original Bill aimed to do the same thing.

So what are the conveyancers who still take only a small proportion of the conveyancing market, complaining about?

Following the committee's report the Bill provides for a council to be set up to licence conveyancers, in the interests of consumer protection.

The criteria of professional competence required for granting a licence are not set out in the Bill. The committee recommends that the conveyancers should have a theoretical legal grounding. This could take about two years to obtain. Then the conveyancer should have at least two years' practical experience of conveyancing, the defeating the aim of making conveyancing cheaper.




report says.

If the council follows these recommendations, it would create a kind of junior law society. The time and expense of gaining the qualifications would deter people from becoming conveyancers so their numbers would not grow. And with such qualifications, licensed conveyancers would tend to charge more, thus

The problem is that at the moment conveyancers can do everything a solicitor does except draw up the deeds of transfer on a purchase. Under the new licensing procedure they would be able to do this too. At the same time the Bill makes things even easier for solicitors. They will be permitted simply to allow anyone employed in their offices, including clerks and typists, to prepare transfer deeds.

Mr Clive Marchant, managing director of House Owners Conveyancers, one of the largest of the 100 or so existing conveyancers in Britain, bitterly opposes this. "The present monopoly of solicitors will be extended in a way never envisaged by the government," he said. If the present Bill succeeds "there will be no competition to solicitors and no real price reductions."

Instead of the cumbersome licensing system, there is no shortage of suggestions. One of the most plausible and ingenious has come from a US-owned insurance company First American Title and Trust.

Under this scheme, responsibility for monitoring the competence of conveyancers would fall on the insurance industry. This is because they would be obliged to take out professional indemnity and fidelity insurance as are all solicitors.

But they would also have to have title insurance for each client for whom they act. The title insurance covers any errors by the conveyancer in carrying out that particular property transfer. If a mistake is made, the client will be reimbursed under the insurance policy.

Since insurance companies will want to minimize the number of claims, they will have a strong interest in making sure that the conveyancers are fully competent.

In practice this would lead to a more flexible system than that of licensing by a council. The ability to pass an exam, for example, is not an accurate guage of a conveyancer's ability, says First American. The conveyancer's actual performance is what counts.

So everyone would be free to set up as a conveyancer just as long as they would persuade an insurance company that they were safe enough to insure.

However, sensing victory on the licensed conveyancer issue the solicitors, many of whom owe their livelihood to conveyancing fees, have turned their guns against the banks and building societies, which would also like to offer conveyancing services.

So although solicitor's conveyancing fees have tended to fall slightly in the last year or two, full scale competition in the conveyancing market and the expected lowering of costs still looks a long way off.

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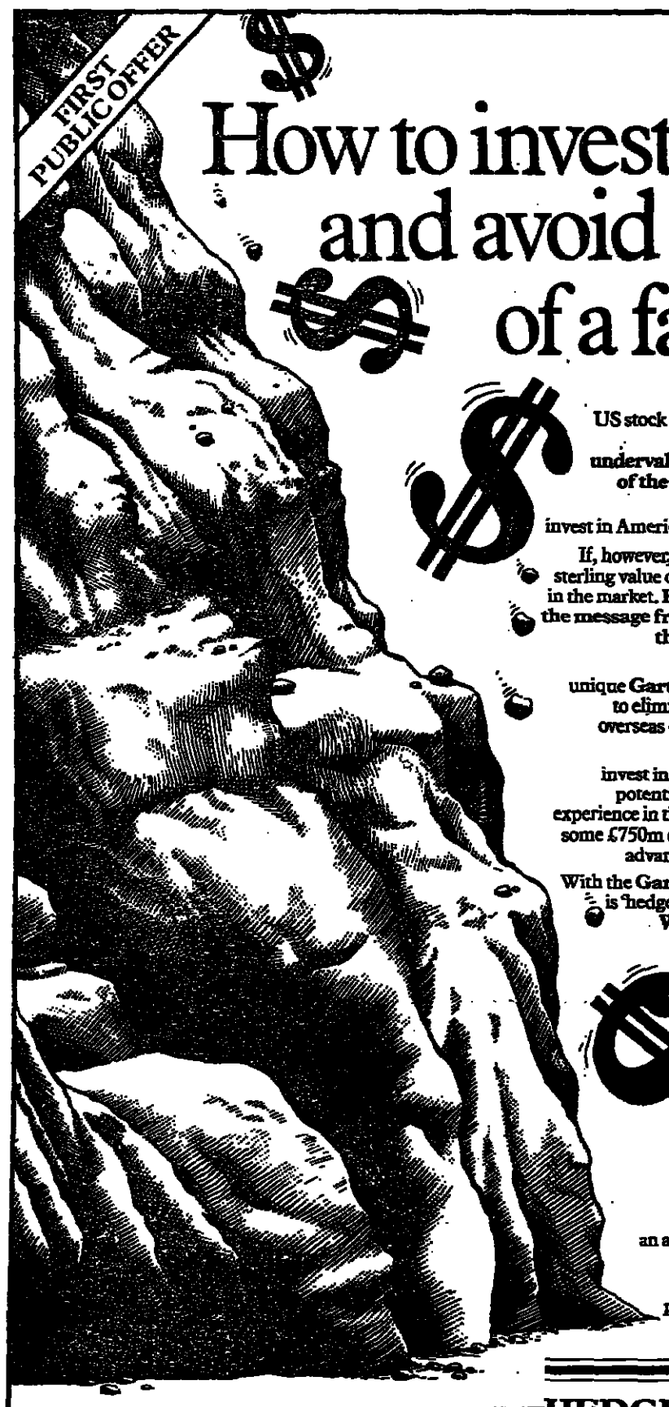


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BES INVESTMENTS

# Booming property schemes to come under scrutiny

*Promoters of Business Expansion Schemes* will be glued to their television sets on Tuesday to see if the Chancellor removes or amends the generous tax concessions available to investors in these schemes.

In 1984 the Chancellor made no changes other than to disallow farming, and to give a sop to film makers to compensate for the withdrawal of capital allowances. The commissioning of a survey from accountants Peat Marwick Mitchell by the Inland Revenue may give him the excuse not to make any reforms to the scheme this time round until after the report is completed in the autumn.

It is, however, generally accepted that the Chancellor will be looking at BES investment in property development companies after 20 issues have raised an estimated £60 million in the past four months. This is additional to £12 million raised by hotels, restaurants and private hospitals.

Around £43 million has been raised by 34 approved funds in this financial year, and around £5 million by non-approved schemes.

In 1983/84 23 approved funds raised £32.4 million, non-approved schemes raised £2.3 million. £17 million went into farming, and the Inland Revenue estimates that some £20 million was raised by other direct issues. With money brought forward from former Start-up Funds, the Reveunue estimates that approximately £80 million in total was invested in the 1983/84 tax year in BES qualifying companies.

Equity financed property development should not require BES tax incentives. There is therefore an argument for disallowing relief in respect of companies which develop property for letting or resale. However property based BES, companies would argue that they create employment unlike highly capitalised arable farming, which the Chancellor jumped on last year.

To some extent, the responsibility for the flood of property issues must lie with Treasury ministers, as they have held the view that direct investment is preferable to fund investment. However, only the most hard-nosed and experienced investor would be likely to invest directly in individual businesses without significant asset backing.

The original aim of BES tax relief was to stimulate investment in "sunrise" industries – high technology companies which are rarely asset-based and might otherwise have difficulty raising finance.

The BES funds (as opposed to the BES companies) have largely stuck to the spirit of the legislation but, not unnaturally, the private investor has often preferred to take his tax relief and sit tight with the security of a property or asset-backed company – hence the popularity, first of the farming funds, now property development.

Professional fund managers invest on behalf of investors. This saves the investor considerable work in seeking companies, evaluating viability, prospects, whether qualifying and likely to remain so, negotiating with, or monitoring the progress of trading and the continuity of the qualifying status of the companies. Additionally the fund provides a spread of investment in five or more companies and also back-up services.

The above is all very useful for investors but there is one severe handcap in current legislation – tax relief only relates to the tax year in which the shares are issued by the companies to the fund manager acting as a nominee for the investors. No fund manager can guarantee full investment in the tax year of the investors' subscription, particularly when the subscription period is late in the tax year.

This has given a big advantage to the direct property issue, as tax relief in such a case will relate to the year of subscription as the shares are issued as soon as it is fully subscribed – in any event by April 5.

Because of the importance of the timing of tax relief for most investors, this handicap for fund managers produces the inefficient situation where funds are not able to attract sufficient money early in the tax year (which would give them more time to invest) and near the end of the tax year, investors are not able to find many fund managers who can guarantee full investment by April 5.

The Government recognises that tax incentives are necessary to promote investment in unquoted companies. With 17 BES companies having already ceased trading, been sold at a loss, or put into receivership, out of 205 companies funded by approved funds and non-approved schemes in 1983/84, the risks are real enough for such investment. Such risks may not warrant going it alone in single companies.

Funds fulfil a particularly useful role in providing equity finance in the range of £50,000 to £350,000. In the range of £100,000 to £250,000 all the 80 companies funded in 1983/84 were funded by either approved funds or by non-approved schemes. Amounts below these ranges tend to be local direct funding, and above these ranges tend to be direct prospectus issues.

The Chancellor must be prepared to unshackle fund managers and allow them to develop the role of providing equity finance above the clearing banks' small company overdraft limit and below the general City issue level, more efficiently. Tax relief should relate to the year of subscription to funds.

**John Harrison**

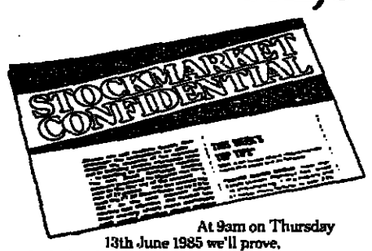
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| Holden Heat | Ackriff Carr | Coal fired heating | £146 (200 shares at 73p) | 22.3.85 | 01-454 5121 |
| Mazer Wine Shippers | Noble & Co | Wine Shippers | £1,000 | 29.3.85 | 01-585 2525 |
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| Medical Imaging Services | Montano Secs | Medical Services | £600 | 4.4.85 | 01-283 7671 |
| *UBA (Developments)* | *Capital Ventures* | *Entertainment* | *£1,000* | *4.4.85* | *0242 584380* |
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|---|---|---|---|
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| Ryan Hotels | 8p | 25.25p | 203% |
| Moreau Holdings | 156p | 192p | 19% |
| Samuelson Group | 450p | 755p | 83% |
| *Hillards* | 228p | 336p | 43% |
| Yorks Chemicals | 54p | 78p | 25% |
| Albion | 13.50p | 24p | 67% |
| Microgen Holdings | 616p | 985p | 56% |
| L. & Strathclyde I.T. | 136p | 176p | 24% |
| Tootal Group | 35p | 77p | 114% |
| Pauls | 273p | 365p | 29% |
| Haynes Group | 192p | 356p | 77% |
| Riley Leisure | 38p | 61p | 58% |
| Saxon Oil | 155p | 460p | 198% |
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BUILDING SOCIETIES

# Competitive rates give a better deal

Housebuyers are likely to see another increase in the cost of their mortgages before long. Building society chiefs are meeting on Thursday, two days after the Budget, to decide on a rise in interest rates. They need more money to meet heavy demand for loans.

The problem for the societies was the fall in receipts last month. Building Societies Association figures show that the inflow of money slumped to £474 million from £823 million in January. Net receipts were also depressed by the fact that the societies had to repay £156 million on loans from the money market, which reduced total intake to £300 million.

The demand for mortgages is at the same high level as last year. Loans promised advanced to £2,008 million from £1,671 million in January. Actual loans went up from £1,645 to £1,657.

With the cost of borrowing going up, building societies which offer one rate of interest on all loans, regardless of size, are coming under increasing pressure from sophisticated home-buyers shopping around for the cheapest mortgage.

Such has been the demand at the Woolwich which offers loans at 13.375 across the board, that queues for money are building up and an eight-week wait is on the cards. The society admits that the situation suddenly caught up with it last week.

In some branches of the Woolwich, things have reverted to the bad old days with money being only allocated to existing savers and first-time buyers as a way of rationing supply. The Woolwich says there is an unprecedented demand for mortgages.

The market usually booms by Easter, but things have hotted up early this year. The bad weather in January suppressed demand, but as the sun appears so do the house-buyers.

The Woolwich argues that it does not ration mortgages by price, as do societies which have differential interest rates on large loans, so it is on the receiving end of an enormous demand. It is shifting money around its branches, but the eight-week wait is not producing buying and selling chains yet. It hopes that its new Prime account will help to swell funds.

The Woolwich is fairly active on the wholesale money market, which means it can top up its level of receipts to meet demand from borrowers. Like other building societies it needs to lend to live.

It does not want to see mortgage queues, and gone are the days when potential borrowers went cap in hand to their local branch manager begging for a mortgage. The societies sell a product, and they need to attract custom, not turn it away by the prospect of a wait.

At the Nationwide, which also offers flat rate mortgages at 13.375 per cent lending is being expanded and the society says there are few places where borrowers have to queue for money. In London and the south east, where the market is particularly active, some branches may have eight-week queues, but the Nationwide is increasing its lending over the next three months to cope with demand.

Local branch managers decide how to allocate resources within their regions, and money is shifted around as needed. The society steps in to re-allocate money regionally on a monthly basis if quotas are not being met. It likes to keep regional allocations intact as this keeps its spread of investment on an even keel. On the whole, branch managers only tighten up on lending requirements to control a rampant market.

The Abbey National operates a different system; a mortgage is offered and buyers are told when the money will be forthcoming The society aims to tie this to the completion date. It has enough money in hand to deal with demand at the moment.

The same story emerges from the Halifax, whose chairman said last year that he was determined to end mortgage queues. The Halifax accounts for 20 per cent of building society business, but it can meet demand for money.

It is not offering the cheapest mortgages in the business, particularly at the upper end of the market, but reckons it has a fine balance between supply and demand.

The Halifax says it can offer mortgages to non-savers so long as they do not want a 100 per cent loan. The society is not adjusting quotas because of one month's poor receipts, but has instead gone to the wholesale money market for a syndicated loan of £100 million, so money should not be in short supply.

It is costing the societies a great deal of money to top up cash from the money markets, and they argue that rates will have to go up to cope with the seemingly unending demand for home loans. People still believe that interest rate rises are short-term and that things will be better.

**Judith Huntley**

**Comparison of Mortgage Rates for Loans over £30,000**
**Repayment Mortgage (% rate)**

| | £30,001-£35,000 | £35,001-£40,000 | £40,001-£45,000 | £45,001-£50,000 | £50,001-£55,000 | £55,001-£60,000 |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Halifax | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 |
| Abbey National | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.75 |
| Nationwide | 12.875 | 12.875 | 12.875 | 12.875 | 12.875 | 12.875 |
| Leeds Permanent | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.75 |
| Woolwich | 12.875 | 12.875 | 12.875 | 12.875 | 12.875 | 12.875 |
| National & Provincial | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 |
| Anglia | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.75 |
| Alliance | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 |
| Bradford & Bingley | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.75 | 13.75 |
| Leicester | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.75 |
| Britannia | 13.25 | 13.25 | 13.25 | 13.25 | 13.25 | 13.25 |
| Cheltenham Goldloan | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 |
| Bristol & West | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 | 13.50 |
| Yorkshire | 13.75 | 13.75 | 13.75 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 |
| Gateway | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 | 14.00 |
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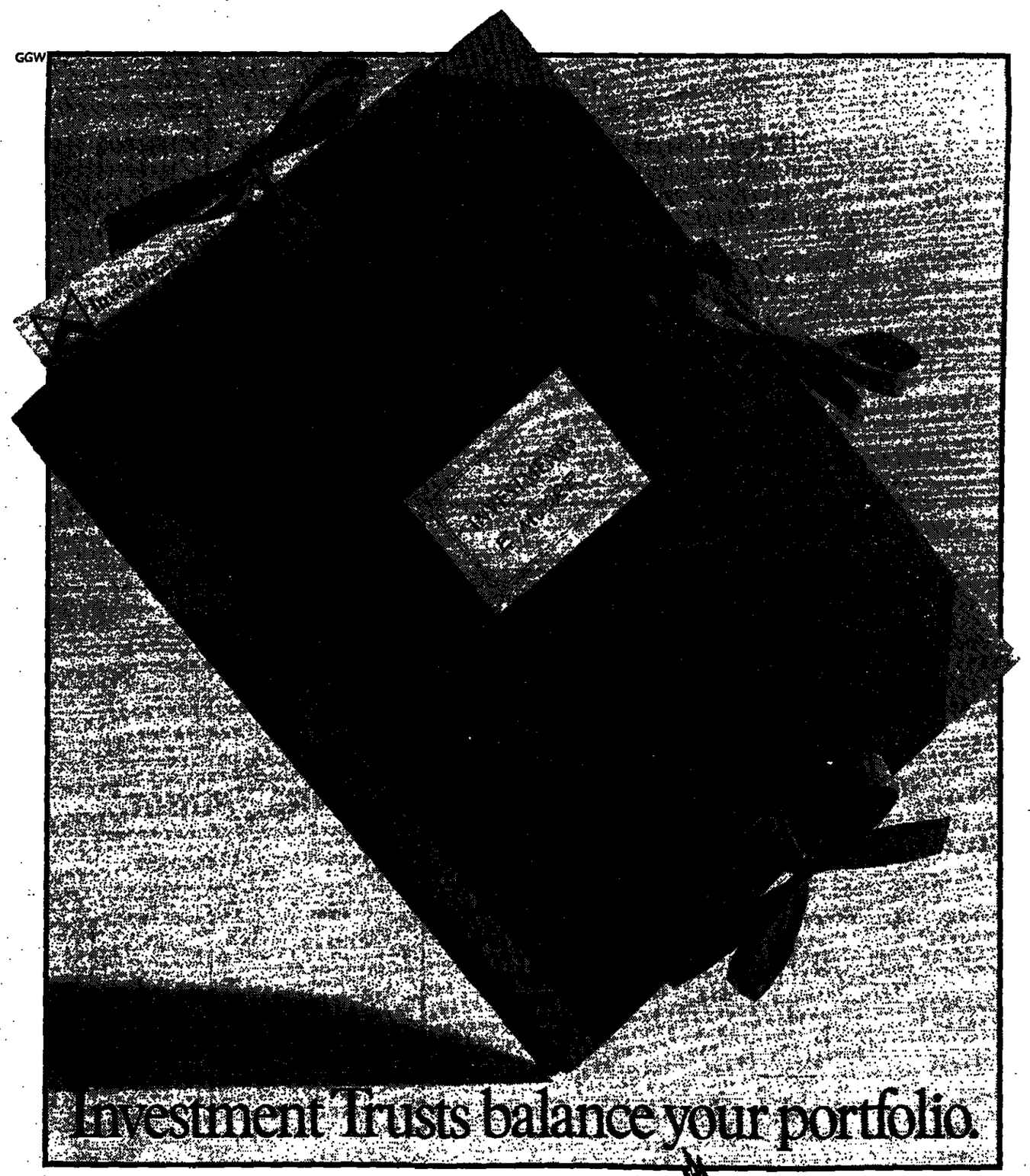
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FAMILY MONEY

# How money managers measure up

Any fund manager in the City these days will enthuse about the amount of private money there is around for investment. The numbers of what are described in American jargon as "high net worth individuals" have been increasing – not just because the current business climate makes it easier to amass wealth.

On a more modest scale individuals who take a lump sum from commuted pension rights or inherit property boosted in value by the rise in house prices during the 1960s and 1970s find themselves, often for the first time with a substantial amount of cash and wonder what to do with it.

Financial institutions have been quick to spot the potential. There is a baffling array of investment management services on offer, but how does the individual pick and choose between them?

One of the fastest growing areas has been unit trust portfolio management – independent intermediaries and unit trust groups themselves offer this service to investors. With more than 730 unit trusts on offer the average investor badly needs advice.

Most of the financial institutions that offer portfolio management for those with sums of less than £50,000 do so through unit trusts.

"It enables us to offer the same kind of professional management to smaller investors that we can give to our larger clients", says Mr Ken Armstrong, of Hill Samuel, which offers a discretionary unit trust service for amounts of between £10,000 and £50,000.

Hill Samuel's unit trust advisory service charges a flat fee of £100 a year plus value added tax – on top of the commission included in the cost of units themselves.

Charges for this kind of service vary widely. Touche Remnant, for instance, charges a flat fee of £75 a year, taking a minimum sum of £10,000. Henderson, charges £200.

Most of the unit trust advisory services attached to fund management groups buy rival funds for their clients as well as their own.

You can get cheaper advice on unit trusts – if you are prepared to restrict your investments to the institution's own funds. Kleinwort Benson, for instance, offers a unit trust portfolio management service costing 0.125 per cent a year – with a minimun charge of £50, but it uses its own funds only, as does fellow merchant bank Rothschild – no fee at all – provided you have at least £50,000 to invest.

One advantage the unit trust advisory system has over other kinds of portfolio management is that it is often easier for potential customers to judge performance, since many groups operate standard portfolios.

*Planned Savings* magazine provides a useful monitoring service with the co-operation of most of the leading groups. In its March issue it compares performances during 1984 showing Whitechurch Securities with a capital growth on its portfolio of funds at 36 per cent – but it also monitors the more useful long-term performance. Over three years, for instance, Richards Longstaff and Premier Unit Trust Brokers – neither of which has its own unit trust funds, have performed best.

Anyone with over £50,000 to invest will find no shortage of takers prepared to offer a portfolio management service in individual equities or unit trusts. Around £50,000 certainly seems to be the sort of level at which any large firm of stockbrokers will offer an individual discretionary service.

"It all boils down to the size of the individual bargain," says Mr Nick Fraser, of James Capel. "We lose money on any individual deal of less than £1,000 in equities – £50,000 is, in our view, the minimum level at which the investor can have a decent spread of equities and be profitable to us."

From the individual's point of view it also boils down to what a portfolio management service offers, and how much it charges. James Capel takes a nominal fee of £48 a year, and charges separately for things like valuations and capital gains tax schedules.

Hill Samuel, for instance, operates a discretionary management, which means that the adviser makes the investment decisions for you after an initial consultation on investment policy. It is for clients with over £50,000. It charges a flat fee of £250 a year plus 0.25 per cent of the value of the portfolio – in addition to Stock Exchange commissions.

Mr Armstrong says: "stockbrokers who earn money solely on the basis of commissions are under pressure to buy and sell clients' shares more frequently. We think a fee system is healthier because it means we can afford not to do anything, if that is the right thing.

Several firms of stockbrokers, keen on building up their private client management departments, see a general move to a fee basis as inevitable. Mr George Lynne of Buckmaster & Moore, says: "We charge a fee in addition to commission. It ranges from about £100 a year for a client with the minimum sized portfolio of £50,000 to a maximum of £500.

In addition to higher fees, merchant bank investment departments usually require clients to have considerable sums to invest. Kleinwort Benson stipulates a minimum of £200,000 for its discretionary service, and Rothschilds £250,000.

Investment managers like Touche Remnant, on the other hand, accept sums of £30,000 – charging 1 per cent of the value of the portfolio plus usual commission, while Henderson has a minimum of £100,000.

A crucial point for many investors is how much information and advice they can get from the manager on the tax aspects of their investments – making the most of annual capital gains tax exemptions and working out the index-linked gains. "We expect our clients to have accountants", says Mr Ian Doulton at Dunbar Fund Managers, which will take on portfolios of £50,000 and over.

Performance and service are clearly of far more importance to the investor than fees.

And not every investor who wants financial management likes the idea of handing over discretionary control – though this is the direction in which many stockbrokers like to steer clients these days.

Although smaller private clients will be hard pushed to find a top London broker prepared to give them an advisory service, provincial brokers are more relaxed – some portfolio managers are positively against discretionary services.

"I think that a non-discretionary service is much better in terms of client relations," says Mr Kean Seager, of Whitechurch Securities, which offers an individual equity portfolio management service to clients with over £50,000.

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This may be bad news for the British Dental association, which had said: "Dental services in the NHS will no longer be a reality for most adults in Britain".

But it is good news for insurances Clarkson Puckle Home, of London, who aim to establish for the first time in Britain American-style health-care cover.

The scheme, called Private Dental Plan, is available only to companies, not individuals. It is underwritten by the Insurance Company of North America, part of the giant CIGNA Corporation, whose other half, Connecticut General, claims to be the world's leading dental insurers. About one-third of Americans are covered by dental insurance.

PDP will cost employers £85 a year for each employee and will provide cover of up to £1,000 for basic dental care on a private basis. It includes remedial, preventive and diagnostic treatment.

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Clarkson Puckle director Barrie Etchells says the attraction for companies is that the scheme is tax deductible. It also enables employers to ensure that staff really go to the dentist and are not playing golf when they book appointments.

"There have been dental health plans before, but they have just faded away," he said. "The reason was that they were offering insurance to individuals. People with bad teeth bought them and claims went through the roof".

Mr Etchells believes that PDP's strict claim limits will make the scheme financially viable. The insurers will pay out on a claim according to an agreed list of charge fees for treatment based on the national average for private treatment.

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FOOTBALL: LIVERPOOL POISED TO MAKE THEIR CHAMPIONSHIP CHALLENGE

# Robson earns United a draw

**West Ham United.....2**
**Manchester United.....2**

Manchester United lost important ground in the championship race when they failed to capitalise on their good possession at Upton Park last night. In the end they had to rely on an equaliser by Robson, coming on as substitute, to give them a point.

A defender, Ray Stewart, gave West Ham an unexpected lead with a 25th minute penalty. The referee, Alan Robinson, who upset Ipswich Town by awarding Everton an FA Cup penalty on Wednesday, at first signalled a corner when Allen's cross crashed against Hogg. But after spotting a linesman's raised flag he changed his decision and Stewart converted his fifth penalty of the season.

United equalized five minutes later when Brush fouled Strachan and Stapleton met Gidman's free-kick with a powerful header past McAlister.

The referee was unable to continue the second half because of a strained achilles tendon. The senior linesman, David Keen, of Reading, took over with a deputy linesman taking the red flag. West Ham began the second half with a substitute, Swindlehurst, replacing Dickens.

West Ham's lead was restored in the 55th minute when Duxbury deflected a centre into his own goal.

England's captain, Robson, returned for United after a nine match absence with shoulder and ankle injuries when he replaced Whiteside in the 60th minute. Six minutes after coming on, he equalized with a header from Olsen's corner.

**WEST HAM UNITED:** T McAlister; R Stewart, P Brush, S Walford, A Martin, P Hilton, P Allen, N Orr, P Goddard, A Cottee, A Dickens (sub: D Swindlehurst).
**MANCHESTER UNITED:** G Bailey; J Gidman, A Albiston, M Duxbury, P McGrath, G Hogg, G Strachan, N Whiteside (sub: B Robson), M Hughes, F Stapleton, J Olsen.
**Referee:** A Robinson (Waterlooville).

# Spurs hope Perryman can get his teeth into 73-year-old bogeyman

By Clive White

On the face of it, this is not a good time for **Tottenham Hotspur** to lay a septuagenarian bogeyman. Their championship aspirations severely dented by the home defeat in midweek against Manchester United and the loss of Stevens, their and England's jack of all trades, for the rest of the season, they go to Anfield today to try to recover lost ground by winning at this particular one for the first time since 1912.

They do so with Perryman, their captain, in the biting midfield role vacated by Stevens. Perryman has had to endure the jinx longer than anyone at the club and as at 33 he is longer in the tooth than most, he ought to make some sort of impression. Peter Shreeves, the manager, said: "We are going to need a bit of backbone in the middle and Steve is the man to provide it."

Shreeves will give Thomas only his second outing of the season at full back. Thomas, bought from Coventry City for £300,000 two seasons ago, has been remarkably patient given his outstanding performances for the England under-21 team in retaining the European championship at the end of last season. Chiedozie makes a rather quicker return to the first team. Having been displaced by Brooke in midweek he now returns in place of Brooke, who has flu. "John has been lively in training and looks more determined," Shreeves said.

Liverpool keep the side that overwhelmed Barnsley last week in the FA Cup and which has been largely unchanged since the beginning of the year. If Liverpool win they will be just three points behind Tottenham.

**Everton** have not felt any wind yet off the Mersey, but it is perilously close at hand. They will be without their mastermind, Reid, for the first time in 89 matches at Villa Park because of suspension. Richardson takes his place and Harper continues to deputize for Sheedy. With McMahon returning for **Aston Villa** against his former club, Everton's key department could come under severe examination.

Villa will again include in this area Walker, a former England youth defender, but they will be without the galvanizing effect of Gibson, who is also suspended.

A sneek preview of the Milk Cup final between **Norwich City** and **Sunderland** might not sound like the day's outstanding entertainment, even in Norfolk, but with Sunderland in need of points it should not be short of action. Norwich even have Rowell, a former Sunderland striker who scored on his debut as substitute last week, in the squad to spice things up. Deehan, their leading goalscorer, has recovered from injury, but they will give Bruce's injured ankle a rest.

Wallace, once of Nottingham Forest but more recently Brest, the French club, has a chance to stake a late claim for a Wembley place. Wallace, who has suffered from niggling injuries since he joined the club, scored twice for the reserves on Thursday. Daniel may also return but Agboola and Bennett are doubtful. Proctor has given up all hope of recovering from a groin injury in time for the final.

For everyone concerned it is a case of forgetting about the final. David Pleat, the manager of relegation-threatened but happy **Luton Town**, has told his players the same thing with regard to their forthcoming FA Cup semi-final. Realistically, Hillsborough is not the place for them to start doing in the League what they have been doing in the Cup – the FA Cup, that is. They lost 4-2 to **Sheffield Wednesday** at Hillsborough in the Milk Cup. Pleat has 15 players from which to choose.

**Ipswich Town** the other side of the coin, that of the beaten cup side, in Ipswich's case twice over, unluckily, in the Milk Cup and the FA Cup. The after-effects of the midweek elimination by Everton is that Putney and Brennan are unavailable because of injury to help gather needy points at **Queen's Park Rangers**. Cooper, Burley and D'Avray are all injured, also.

Bobby Isaac, a young **Chelsea** player, however, has fortunately recovered from his back injury – a 12-inch knife wound inflicted by **Milwall** "supporters" while on his way to watch the FA Cup tie between the two clubs earlier in the season. He stands by to make his debut at **Watford** because Lee, McLaughlin and Rougvie are absent. Watford, too, have six players under treatment, including Barnes. It is clearly a day for mothers to be proud of their sons and vice-versa. For the Sunday afternoon match at Selhurst Park, **Crystal Palace** are letting in mums free in honour of Mother's Day. But they must, of course, be accompanied by a child.






**Middlemen: Perryman (left) and Richardson moving into spaces vacated by Stevens and Reid.**

CRICKET

# Camacho gives England go-ahead

By Ivo Tennant

**Steve Camacho, the secretary of the West Indies Cricket Board, yesterday scotched rumours that England's scheduled tour there next winter will not go ahead because of the possibility of intervention.**

**Speaking from Kingston, Jamaica, Camacho said: "West Indies Board is a signatory to the ICC agreement that members should not attempt to interfere in each other's selection and England's tour would, therefore, be entirely free of any preconditions as to whom they bring." He was referring, of course, to the England players who had toured South Africa and will be eligible for Test cricket after serving their ban, which ends this month.**

**Camacho said that, should Guyana object to their inclusion, the Test planned for Georgetown would be played at either Port of Spain, Trinidad, or Kingston, Jamaica. The itinerary, to be ratified at the board's meeting in May, would include five Tests and a number of one-day internationals.**

**"There is no question that the tour is definitely on," said Camacho. Yet doubts remain. I am informed that discussions with Pakistan are continuing should some of the England party not be acceptable to countries other than just Guyana.**

**The West Indies Board know they must cover themselves should England's tour fall through. Lawrence Rowe, now living in Miami, is keen to take a West Indian side back to South Africa, and it will be easier for him to muster good players should there be a lengthy period of no Test cricket in the Caribbean.**

● KINGSTON: New Zealand were due to open their eight-week Caribbean tour here yesterday against a Shell Aard XI, chosen on performances in this year's regional Shell Shield tournament (Reuter reports).

## Little thought for food

**Yorkshire's triennial cricket dinner, due to have been held in Sheffield on March 28, has been cancelled because of lack of interest (Ivo Tennant writes). The Cutlers Hall, which seats 350, would have been less than half full. The Duchess of Kent, Yorkshire's Patron, was to have attended.**

**This was to have been the fifth such dinner Yorkshire had held. A spokesman for the club said that internal problems had not helped and their followers were not willing to support club functions. The price of the tickets was £15 a head, and closing date for applications was on March 4.**

# Waddle may stay with Newcastle

Newcastle have begun their efforts to try to keep Chris Waddle at St James' Park. Jack Charlton, the Newcastle manager said: "We've had a chat and I told Chris just how much we want him to stay.

"We talked over the general situation and I told him I needed to know what he was going to do by the end of the month. I'm not going to talk about any financial incentives or offers we are going to make him. I want him to stay with Newcastle United because he wants to stay."

Waddle's contract expires at the end of the season and he has said that while money is important it is not everything and that he wants to win things. "I've got a lot to think over and that's exactly what I shall be doing in the next couple of weeks," he said.

Waddle, aged 24, was signed up from non-League side, Tow Law, and is now rated in the £500,000 class. Tottenham are among a number of first division clubs interested in a player likely to win his first England cap against the Republic of Ireland later this month.

● Cambridge United have appointed Ken Shellito, the former Chelsea player, as their manager. He was manager of Chelsea from 1977 to 1979 and had spells with Tommy Docherty at Queen's Park Rangers and Preston. He partnered Alan Mullery at Crystal Palace before setting up coaching camp in Dallas.

John Ryan was dismissed last month, with Cambridge in deep relegation trouble. They have only 17 points with 16 League matches left.

Clive White on the Highland spring in Liverpool's step

# MacDonald proves there is life after Souness

**Since Kevin MacDonald came into the Liverpool side 14 games ago, they have lost only once and that to Juventus in Turin. Talk of decline has been replaced by talk of championships. Liverpool are attacking the peaks once more. While it would be overstating MacDonald's contribution to describe him as the saviour of Liverpool, he is doing an effective job in helping them to make a new life for themselves without Souness.**

**MacDonald was not the first name that came to mind when Liverpool decided to look for someone to fill the void left by Souness. It had become apparent that they could not afford to wait for Molby, the Dane, to adapt to the pace of the English game - even if that were possible.**

**MacDonald is steadily and deliberately carving out his own niche. "I was fortunate to begin a three-week suspension followed by injury when I arrived here. It gave me time to settle in," he said. Otherwise, the customary Anfield apprenticeship was a short one – one Central League match. Liverpool's position required urgent attention. They had paid too much – £400,000 for a 24-year-old without as much as a schoolboy honour – to see their investment slowly gaining interest in the reserves. They needed a fast return and got one.**

**MacDonald, though, plays down his part in the resurrection of Britains' most famous ambassadors. "At the moment I just get the ball and give it; the other lads are playing so well. I don't think I've arrived yet," he said modestly in a soft Highland accent. "Anyway, I don't think there was much wrong with them. They just turned the corner."**

**That was not how the nation saw it when Liverpool woke up one morning to find themselves third bottom of the first division. They will not forget the date in a hurry: October 27, 1984. The "corner" seemed to have a 100-mile arc to it then. But Joe Fagan, the manager, kept smiling like a benevolent uncle and Liverpool eventually pulled round by maintaining a simple belief in themselves.**

**MacDonald had noticed an absence of coaching at Anfield. "They treat you like adults and get you to think for yourself," he said. Liverpool have given him a defensive midfield role, though he admits that tackling is not one of his strengths. "I don't have great pace but I do have a powerful will to win. Hopefully, my game will become more adventurous and I will exert a greater influence." He is keen to become more involved and believes that his best games for Liverpool have often been when the team are not at their best: "I thought my best match was in Turin."**

**He is aware of the comparisons with Souness, but considers them ridiculous. He said: "No one told me that I was replacing Graeme. Our styles are nothing like each other. Graeme was broad and stocky, he was hard and reasonably fair. I'm just skinny."**

**Nevertheless, MacDonald was pleased to hear of some complimentary remarks from the Scotland captain about his performance in Turin. He has been given a lot of help from the players, particularly Dalglish and Lawrenson. "It's a pleasure to play alongside them. And if it doesn't work out at least I will have added to my football education", he said.**

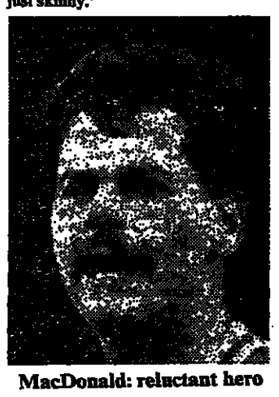
**Education proper saw him leave school in his home town of Inverness with nine "O" levels and one "Higher". He would have been quite content to see out his playing days with Inverness Caledonian in the Highland League while working as a civil servant.**

**MacDonald is one of the few to have made the giant step up from that level to the top grade in one year, having slipped through the full professional net once. Arsenal might be interested to learn that they had him in their grasp for a week. "I never met anyone on the management side while I was there and never even played a practice game. I just trained."**

**Five months later, Leicester City came in with a cash offer and the 19-year-old went back down south. Strangely, the young Scot only broke into the team when Jock Wallace left and was replaced by Gordon Milne, who eventually made him captain.**

**Leicester had one of the best records of any side against Liverpool while MacDonald was there. In his first season, 1980-81, when they were relegated, they beat Liverpool home and away. And last season they drew with them twice.**

**Unfortunately for MacDonald he forgot to remove the Indian sign when he went north and the first time he appeared on the Liverpool team sheet was against Leicester at Anfield on Boxing Day. Leicester won 2-1, but he never left the substitutes' bench. Then his and Liverpool's fortunes began to turn.**



**MacDonald: reluctant hero**

# Missing rhythm gives Aberdeen the blues

By Hugh Taylor

Aberdeen have been told to relax and try to play more stylish football in their match against **Dundee** at Dens Park today. Believing that the strain is telling on players who are poised to win again the country's most glittering prizes, Alex Ferguson, their manager, has told them that they have been too anxious in their recent efforts to win.

"It is essential that the team find their rhythm again," he said. "And the way to do that is for the players to go out and enjoy their football in the last weeks of the season."

The League leaders, however, cannot afford to underrate Dundee, who were unfortunate to lose to Celtic in the cup quarter final replay on Wednesday and are now so well organized that they are a match for anyone.

Celtic, who are trying to close the six-point gap on the leaders, face a Hibernian side deep in the relegation zone. Although Hibs will fight hard and have several promising young players, who augur well for the future, they do not have the class or experience to match Celtic.

Rangers, who are hoping to benefit from their tour in the Middle East, put the emphasis on youth for their match with St Mirren at Paisley. Bruce their reserve goalkeeper, will make his debut and another chance will be given to McFarlane, a skilfull centre-back who impresed their manager, Jock Wallace, on the recent trip. St Mirren will be without their enterprising forwards, McAvennie and Speirs.

**Dumbarton** should improve their prospects of avoiding relegation by beating Morton, who appear doomed to the drop, but a draw is the most likely outcome of the meeting between Hearts and Dundee United at Tynecastle.

## Chelsea inquiry adjourned

The Football Association yesterday postponed a decision on disturbances during the Chelsea against Sunderland Milk Cup tie on March 4 after nearly five hours deliberation at Stamford Bridge.

Glen Kirton, a spokesman for the FA, said "the commission has decided to defer a decision until next Monday when it will reconvene at Lancaster Gate.

"The commission has seen the stadium and heard evidence from the police and Chelsea's chairman, Ken Bates. It has decided it would like the weekend to think about the decision. Everything that happened is sub-judice and I cannot comment further."

The press conference, held on the pavement outside the ground, was constantly interrupted by members of the public.

## Resign call on Berlin decision

Bonn (Reuter) – Government and opposition politicians yesterday called on Hermann Neuberger, president of the West German football federation (DFB), to resign over the decision to exclude West Berlin from the 1988 European Championship finals. The European Football Union (UEFA) decided in Lisbon on Thursday to award the championship to West Germany, but the exclusion of West Berlin as a match venue has been attacked.

Chancellor Helmut Kohl described it as "an error of sports politics" and called on the DFB to repair what he called the damage done to the divided city.

Peter Boenisch, a leading Government spokesman, said: "The Federal Government deplores this decision. We will continue to press for the inclusion of West Berlin in international sporting events."

# Ryan goes back to Maidstone

By Paul Newman

John Ryan, who was dismissed as player-manager of Cambridge United two weeks ago, makes his FA Trophy debut today at the age of 37. Ryan has rejoined *Maidstone United*, the club he left 21 years ago to begin a League career in which he made more than 500 appearances for eight different clubs.

Ryan played one game for Maidstone before signing for Arsenal in 1964. He failed to make the first team at Highbury but went on to play for Fulham, Luton Town, Norwich City, Sheffield United, Manchester City, Stockport County, Chester City, Cambridge United and Seattle Sounders. He was dismissed as manager of Cambridge after the side won only five League games during his 13 months in charge.

Ryan still lives in East Anglia but has business interests in Maidstone. He has joined the Gola League champions on a non-contract basis and plays in today's Trophy quarter-final at home to **Enfield**.

A big crowd is expected at Maidstone, but the highest Trophy attendance of the day is likely to be at **Altrincham**, who entertain **Stafford Rangers**.

Stafford, unbeaten in the Northern Premier League since Boxing Day and hoping to return to the Gola League next season, expect to take more than 1,000 supporters to Moss Lane. Stafford could spring a surprise, for although Altrincham lead the Gola League they have been inconsistent for the last three months.

**Boston United**, who drew a crowd of more than 1,800 against Wokingham Town in the last round, are hoping for another big gate at home to **Runcorn**, and **Frickley Athletic** will take 300 supporters to **Wealdstone**. Frickley's run of 10 games without defeat ended on Tuesday at home to Maidstone and they face a difficult task at Wealdstone, who are challenging strongly for the Gola League championship.

HOCKEY

# Laly puts Slough in control

By Sydney Friskin

Slough, the holders, moved smoothly into the semi-finals of the Norwich Union Indoor Club championship at the Michael Sobell sports centre, Islington, yesterday with a 5-2 victory over Khalsa.

Ravinder Laly was the main schemer in Slough's attack with his subtle variations of pace and direction. He laid on the first goal with a clever through pass to Khehar who took full advantage of the opportunity. Slough were in such command that they did not call on the Staffordshire player, Imram Sherwani, who has just recovered from a hamstring injury.

Khalsa equalized through Baji Flora, the brother of Manjit, who was on the opposing side and scored soon after to put Slough 3-1 ahead. Slough failed to convert a penalty stroke, the Khalsa goalkeeper saving from Khehar, who made amends by setting up a chance for Laly to score.

Tariochan converted a corner shortly before the interval to cut the lead to 3-2 but Slough were soon into their stride again. Kali Saini increasing their lead. When Khehar scored their fifth goal, Khalsa gave up the chase.

Southgate lost 3-2 to Teddington. The score at the end of the first half was 1-1, Jennings having scored for Southgate and Abbey for Teddington. The lead which Barrett then gave Teddington was soon neutralized by Duthie but Szwinto scored the winner for Teddington from a corner.

REAL TENNIS

## Ronaldson back on a boomerang

By William Stephens

Chris Ronaldson, the Hampton Court professional and world champion, aged 35, demonstrated his mastery of the game yesterday at Queen's Club as he defended the world championship against Wayne Davies, aged 29, who is the first Australian to challenge for a title originally claimed by a Frenchman, Clergé, around 1740. Ronaldson won the first leg by three sets to one: 7-5, 6-3, 5-6, 6-3.

Ronaldson displayed the constistently precise placing of a snooker champion, but on the run. Known for his coolness under pressure, he was not perturbed by trailing 1-4 in the first set; always most dangerous when behind he remorselessly caught up and at 5-5 and deuce retained his immaculate footwork while Davies under stress could not put any easy ball away.

Both players used gentle services with impeccable control and exploited to perfection the boomerang which runs down off the penthouse roof flush to the back wall. Some exchanges were limited to three strokes: a boomerang serve, a weak return just over the net on to the roof and a volley kill shot under the tambour.

After losing many games in which he had led 40-15, Davies must tighten up his control tomorrow to retain any hope.

## FOR THE RECORD

**BADMINTON**
**MALMO:** Swedish open championships: Men's singles, third round: H Arbi (Indo) bt K Jolly (Eng), 15–5, 15–11; M Kjeldsen (Den) bt D Hall (Eng), 15–7, 14–18, 15–10. Women's singles, third round: K Larsen (Den) bt K Beckman (Eng), 11–0, 11–0.

**RUGBY UNION**
**REPRESENTATIVE MATCH:** Barclays Bank 22, Bank of Scotland 3.

**ICE HOCKEY**
**NATIONAL LEAGUE:** Winnipeg Jets 4, Montreal Canadiens 1, Washington Capitals 4, Toronto Maple Leafs 0; Boston Bruins 7, New Jersey Devils 4.
**WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP:** Group C: Megève: France bt Spain 12-1; Romania bt Bulgaria 11-3. Saint-Gervais: Yugoslavia bt China 7-3. Chamonix: Denmark bt N Korea 3-1
**WORLD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIPS:** Group B: Sapporo: Norway bt Romania 7-1, Netherlands bt Austria 8-1; Switzerland bt France 7-0; Japan bt Italy 5-2.

**CRICKET**
**PATNA:** Women's one-day International: New Zealand 187-6; India 188-7. India won by 3 wkts.

**FOOTBALL**
**WORLD CUP:** Qualifying matches: Indonesia 1, Thailand 0; Jordan 1, Qatar 0, Honduras 0, El Salvador 0.
**AFRICAN CUP WINNERS' CUP:** First round, second leg: National Sporting Club Al Ahly (Egypt) 4, Avenir Sportif Marsa (Tunisia) 0. (NSC won 5 – 0 on aggregate).
**FOOTBALL COMBINATION:** Luton 0, Queen's Park Rangers 0
**BRAZILIAN LEAGUE:** Vasco da Gama 1, Gremio 0; Santos 2, Atletico Mineiro 0.

**TENNIS**
**BRUSSELS:** Belgian indoor championships: S Edberg (Swe) bt S Giammalva (US) 7–6, 6–3, A Jarryd (Swe) bt T Smid (Cz) 6–4, 6–4; J Nystrom (Swe) bt J Lloyd (GB) 4–6, 7–6, 6–4, M Wilander (Swe) beat F Gonzales (Par) 6–4, 6–4.
**DALLAS:** Women's tournament: H Sukova (Cz) bt M Gurney (US) 6–2 6–0; C Lloyd (US) bt K Jordan (US) 6–2, 6–2, B Bunge (Switz) bt A Temesvari (Hun) 7–6, 6–4.

**HOCKEY**
**EALING:** National girls schools championships: Under 18: Millfield (west) 2, King James College (south) 0; Prince Henry's (midlands) 0, St Julie's (north) 0; Culford (east) 0, Millfield 0; St Julie's 0, King James 0; Culford 1, Prince Henry 0; Millfield 1, St Julie's 0, King James 0, Culford 0; Millfield 5, Prince Henry 0; Culford 0, St Julie's 1, Prince Henry 0, King James 0. Winners: Millfield. Under 16: Ravensbourne (east) 0, Newlands (south) 0, Maynards (west) 1, Malvern Girls College (Midlands) 0, Queen Mary's (north) 2, Newlands 0; Malvern 1, Ravensbourne 1, Queen Mary's 0, Maynards 0; Ravensbourne 1, Queen Mary's 0, Ravensbourne 0, Malvern 0, Newlands 0, Ravensbourne 0, Queen Mary's 0; Newlands 0, Maynards 0; Queen Mary's 0, Malvern 0; Maynards 0, Ravensbourne 0. Winners: Queen Mary's.

**BILLIARDS**
**LONDON** (Hatton Garden): World professional championship, quarter-final round: N Dagley leads R Foivari (Aus) 2-0.

**GOLF**
**NDOLA** (Zambia): Cock o' the North championship (British unless stated): 69: J Fowler. 67: A Stubbs, G Cullen. 69: T Horton, B Wates, R Drummond, A Charnley. 70: G Harvey, G Ralph, D Llewellyn, M Gregson, J Morgan, L Jones. 71: G Brand, snr, K Waters, G Turner, M Poxon, L Fickling, C Maltman. 72: A Edwards (Zim), D Jagger, D J Russell, M Mackenzie, D Matthews, B Davidson, C Mason, P Brown (Zim), D Williams.
**BANGKOK:** Thai open championship: 132: R Arinno (US) 66, 66. 135: R Shearer (Aus) 67, 68, B Arda (Phil) 72, 63, Lu Hs Chuen (Tai) 67, 71, J Jacobs (US) 71, 67, P Tervainen (US) 67, 71. 139: E Romero (Arg) 67, 72, C Cookson (US) 70, 69. 140: P Fowler (Aus) 70, 70, I Baker-Finch (Aus) 70, 70, B Jones (Aus) 69, 71, W Riley (Aus) 68, 72, R Mackay (Aus) 71, 69, J Rutledge (Can) 68, 72, I Legaspi (Phil) 73, 67, R Antonio (Phil) 71, 69, Psao Chien Teng (Tai) 72, 68, Chen Pze Ming (Tai) 71, 69, Yu Chen Han (Tai) 67, 73, M Miles (US) 68, 72.

**BASKETBALL**
**UNITED STATES:** National Association: San Antonio Spurs 100, Seattle Supersonics 93; New York Knicks 106, Chicago Bulls 97; Los Angeles Clippers 113, Indiana Pacers 112. Atlanta Hawks 120, Golden State Warriors 112.
**EUROPEAN CUP:** Semi-final groups: Gv Bologna bt Maccabi Tel Aviv 94-86 (at Bologna), Zagreb Cibona bt CSKA Moscow 71-66 (in Moscow).

**NORDIC SKIING**
**OSLO:** Men's World Cup championships, final placings: 1, G Svan (Swe) 152 pts, 2, T Rakon Rato (Nor) 117, 3, T Wassberg (Swe) 114; 4, O Aunli (Nor) 114; 5, P Gunnar Mikkelsplass (Nor) 100; 6, T Mogren (Swe) 85.

**WINCHESTER FIVES**
**MALVERN:** National doubles tournament final: S Constantine and D Hebden bt D Barnes and J Tremellen 13-15, 15-10, 15-4.

## Sport of Spain

Lancashire, who won the Benson and Hedges Cup last season, and Middlesex, the holders of the NatWest trophy, will play a three-match tournament at the La Manga Club in southern Spain on April 15, 17 and 19.

## Captain Abrahams

John Abrahams has been re-appointed as the Lancashire captain, even though Clive Lloyd, the former captain, will be available for the county this season. Lloyd welcomed the decision, saying: "It is progress – Lancashire must go forward".

GOLF

# Mahaffey loses touch after remarkable start

From John Ballantine, New Orleans

John Mahaffey neatly turned the tables on the often cruel game of golf as well as the weather to take the early lead in the second round of the New Orleans Classic on a rain-sodden Lake Wood course here yesterday. At 4.30pm on Thursday, Mahaffey, who was heading for the lead at eight under par, one ahead of the 65s of Peter Jacobsen and Gibby Gilbert, was obliged to mark his ball in the middle of the 18th fairway as lightning crackled in a purple sky and rain fell in torrents. "I think I'll need a two iron next but I'm not sure if I can hit it straight on the dawn patrol tomorrow", he told well-wishers.

With 29 other professionals whose rounds were also rudely interrupted Mahaffey replaced his ball at 7.15am yesterday in dramatically different weather from Thursday's hot sushine, 15 degrees cooler and much windier. He hit the rather errant two iron he had predicted to the edge of the green but then holed from 40 feet for a birdie three and a tremendous score of 63.

In his second round, he could do no better than 73, although that was still good enough for the early lead. It was sure to be overtaken later.

Sandy Lyle and Ken Brown, who had scored 67 and 70 respectively, on Thursday, changed positions, Brown moving just ahead of his countryman's 74 with a 70 that might have been at least one shot better for he finished with a six.

Earlier Brown could do little wrong. After three pars he birdied that 190-yard fourth with a 50-foot putt after a four iron and he got another birdie immediately by hitting a bunker shot to 12 feet and holing out.

He missed a 15-footer at the 5th, but birdied the 165-yard eighth with a five iron to 12 feet and another sound putt. He was also in sand at the ninth and this time failed to get down in two to be out in 34. But the Scot picked up a fourth birdie at the 10th. When he holed from six feet at the 14th he was six under par and close to the top of the leader board. He stayed that way until he hit a second into a bunker 60 yards short of the last green. His explosion ran to the back of the green and took three putts.

Lyle had a scrappier round and was in the water twice with hooks and once unplayable under a tree.

**EARLY SECOND ROUND LEADERS:** 138: J Mahaffey 63, 73; J Inman 68, 68. 137: P Jacobsen 65, 72; N Price (SA) 69, 68. 138: L Wadkins 67, 72; C Rose 71, 68. 140: K Brown (GB) 70, 70, 141: S Lyle (GB) 67, 7; H Sutton 70, 71; J Simons 68, 73; K Fergus 68, 72; J Cook 67, 74.



**Brown: last-hole problem**

# New ingredient helps create winning start

By John Hennessy

Vicki Thomas struck the first blow of the women's season for Wales yesterday. She won the Roehampton Gold Cup with an afternoon round of 72, one under par, to steal in front of Laura Davies on 73. Jill Thornhill, yet another member of last year's Curtis Cup team, was a further stroke behind.

Golfers commonly find one new ingredient in their game to explain a new success. Mrs Thomas's was that the graphite covering of her driver had been cracked by a wayward drive from another tee in a pro-am. "Idon't know why," she says, "but ever since then I've been driving better."

Whatever the reason, her game, she said, was in better shape than ever before so early in the season. She was about par in the morning before a sudden fall of snow blotted out not only the greens but also the first round of what was to have been a 36-hole tournament.

In the afternoon she carried on as before, reeling off a string of pars until the 16th (her seventh) yielded a birdie with a nine iron to three feet. Thereafter she threw in two more birdies to offset shots dropped at the third (her 12th) which was out of range against the wind, and fourth, where she had a wretched lie.

Miss Davies won the top professional prize of £100, an encouraging start to a new career under lucrative sponsorship.

**LEADING SCORES:** 72: V Thomas (Pennard), 73: L Davies (West Byfleet), 74: J Thornhill (Walton Heath), 75: A Uzzell (Berks), V Saunders (Tyrrells Wood); S Duhig (Gillingham), 76: B New (Lansdowne), 78: A Belcher (Banstead Down); P Johnson (Pyle and Kenfig); C Hayter (Blackmoor).

**KAANAPALI: Women's Hawaiian open:** 68: J Cranter (Aus), P Bradley 69 P Sheehan 71: D Dudley, J Blalock, L Garbacz, P Meyers. British total: 80: C Panton.

IN BRIEF

# Top seed Douglas may withdraw from singles

Desmond Douglas leads the strongest team that England have fielded for years in the Commonwealth table tennis championships, which start in Douglas, Isle of Man, tomorrow. Douglas, aged 29, has not played in this event since 1975, when he took a share in the men's and mixed doubles, but his high standing in the world game has been recognized by making him the top seed for the singles.

But Douglas would have preferred to have missed the event because it comes in the middle of a hectic spell and could affect his prospects of doing well in the world championships in Sweden later this month. "I shall play in the Commonwealth team event but will make up my mind about the individual championships when I see how I feel later in the week" Douglas said.

**BASKETBALL:** Two clubs who came perilously close to going out of existence last year, play-off at Eastleigh tonight for the right to go to Wembley for the national championship finals in two weeks time. It is not something either Sperrings Solent Stars or Worthing would have envisaged during their darkest hours, Worthing when they had to travel in car-loads to an away match at Doncaster because they could not afford a coach, Solent having to do likewise for a game at Leicester.

Since then Worthing have acquired the sponsorship of Nissan the Japanese car company, and Solent have been taken over by a consortium. Solent, who became the first club to win all three domestic honours last season, have just about coped since their crisis, but injuries are jeopardizing their hopes of retaining the last of their trophies.

**SNOOKER:** Irish Distillers have ended their sponsorship of the Jameson Whiskey International championship. The tournament, set up as one of the sport's riches events in 1981, has been won by Steve Davis three times out of the four years it has been played. Tony Knowles was the other winner, in 1982.

The Dublin company took the decision to withdraw "for marketing reasons"

**HOCKEY:** Ravinder Laly, of Slough, has won his appeal against six months suspension imposed on him by the Southern Counties Hockey Association.

## SNOW REPORTS

The following reports have been supplied by a tourist board:

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| Les Arcs | 100 | 245 | | |
| Les Menuires | 85 | 180 | | |
| Méribel | 50 | 148 | | |
| Tignes | 110 | 170 | | |
| Val d'Isère | 80 | 120 | | |
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**SCOTLAND:** Cairngorms: Upper runs: Complete. New snow with icy patches. Middle runs: Complete but narrow. New snow, icy patches. Lower slopes: Limited nursery areas. New snow, icy patches. Vertical runs: 1,400ft. Hill roads: Slight snow. Main roads: Clear Snow level: 2,000ft. Glenshee: Some complete. New snow on hard base. Lower slopes: No or little snow. New snow on hard base. Vertical runs: 1,000ft. Hill roads: Clear Main roads: Clear Snow level: 2,000ft. Glencoe: Upper runs: some complete New snow on firm base Lower slopes: Limited nursery areas. New snow Vertical runs: 900ft Hill roads: Clear Main roads: Clear Snow level: 2,300ft. Lecht: Upper runs: Almost complete. New snow on firm base. Middle runs: Complete. New snow on firm base Lower slopes Limited nursery areas. New snow on a firm base Vertical runs: 700ft Hill roads: Slight snow. Main roads: Slight snow Snow level: 1,200ft.

POINTERS TO TRIPLE CROWN AND WOODEN SPOON AT CARDIFF AND TWICKENHAM

# Caution will be watchword as Scotland seek to salvage pride

*By David Hands, Rugby Correspondent*

"We are a springtime side," Richard Greenwood, England's coach, said lightly on Thursday and woke up yesterday morning *to find heavy sleet descending* on England's final training run at Strawberry Hill. It was as though Scotland had brought their own weather with them for today's Calcutta Cup game at Twickenham which, I suspect, will be no springtime affair.

It is only England's second *outing in this season's five* nations' championship: it is Scotland's last in a season of deperate disappointment after the heady wine of last season. For differing reasons, therefore, caution, will be the watchword for both countries.

England are not so far down *the path towards a rugby* rehabilitation that they can afford to let their hair down. Scotland, if only for the sake of their pride, need to salvage one win after five successive defeats since the day, a year ago tomorrow, that they collected their first grand slam for 59 years.

In many ways this is the strongest side Scotland have been able to field this season, which has been cruelly disrupted by injury. The fitness of Leslie, their captain, should be in doubt no longer and Rutherford, who was so significant a figure when Scotland came to Twickenham two years ago after three championship defeats and won, has had time to recover from the physical battering he received against the French in Paris.

Moreover the edge they have in experience is considerable. In only two positions do England have an advantage in terms of caps, at loose-head prop where Blakeway wins his eighteenth today against McGuinness's seventh and on the blind-side flank wher Hall has eight to Jeffrey's two. Even there the comparison is not entirely valid since Blakeway is more accustomed to playing tight head.

Experience counts for so *much in international rugby*, particularly if a side sets out to play a limited game. Scotland will be looking to get the ball on the ground and recover the rucking style which proved so efficacious last season. Rutherford *may then try to extend* Martin and his wings, leaving the Scottish backs (who have Wyllie, a stand-off half, filling the breach at centre) to pick up any pieces which come their way.

I believe that if there is any fluid rugby it will come from England, and it will come only if they can establish parity among the forwards. Their greatest advantage is the spirit within the parity, the sheer *enthusiasm which carried them* to that creditable 9-9 draw with France in February.

Much will depend on Dooley's lineout ability. The Blackpool policeman has learned faster than anyone had a right to expect about the rigours of the game at this level, and he, with *Hall at the back, could do much* to frustrate the Scots

England are aware of Scotland's tactics at kick-offs, which earned them two scores against Wales a fortnight ago, where Deans and Baird form a fast-*moving pincer on the catcher* and the forwards follow up at considerable speed, hustling the defending side into error and leaving no room for the development of a counter-attack such as that which *succeeded so well against* Romania.

**England do not propose to take their own doctor to New Zealand for their seven-match *tour in May-June (David Hands* writes). In the light of the travelling they will do (there are no week-long stops as there were twice in South Africa last summer) and the proven value of having one's own practitioner constantly available, it seems ill-advised, particularly since *Don Gatherer, the* regular physiotherapist, is unable to go.**

There was a slight flutter in England's dovecot yesterday when Davies, the replacement centre, went for an X-ray examination on a suspected *broken little toe in his right* foot. The injury proved to be no more than heavy bruising but Davies dd not train and the selectors have asked Goodwin, the uncapped Moseley left wing, to join the party in case Davies suffers any reaction today.

When in doubt about the outcome, the obvious principle is to support the home side. Victory for Dodge, whose twenty-eighth cap equals the record for an English centre half *held by Jeff Butterfield, is a* necessary ingredient in the development of a side which then faces four away games in swift succession, against Ireland, Wales and New Zealand (twice). It would also restore to *England the Calcutta Cup* which the Scots have held for the last two years.



**Putting their backs into it: Colin Telfer, Scotland's coach, is on a high in training yesterday. *(Photograph: Chris Cole)***

## TODAY'S TEAMS AT TWICKENHAM

| England | | | Scotland | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| C R Martin (Bath) | 15 | Full back | P W Dods (Gala) | 15 |
| S T Smith (Wasps) | 14 | Right wing | P D Steven (Heriot's FP) | 14 |
| K G Simms (Cambridge University) | 13 | Right centre | D S Wyllie (Stewart's Melville FP) | 13 |
| P W Dodge* (Leicester) | 12 | Left centre | K W Robertson (Melrose) | 12 |
| R Underwood (Leicester) | 11 | Left wing | G R T Baird (Kelso) | 11 |
| C R Andrew (Nottingham) | 10 | Stand off | J Y Rutherford (Selkirk) | 10 |
| R M Harding (Bristol) | 9 | Scrum half | I G Hunter (Selkirk) | 9 |
| P J Blakeway (Gloucester) | 1 | Prop | G M McGuinness (West of Scotland) | 1 |
| S E Brain (Coventry) | 2 | Hooker | C T Deans (Hawick) | 2 |
| G S Pearce (Northampton) | 3 | Prop | I G Milne (Harlequins) | 3 |
| J P Hall (Bath) | 6 | Flanker | J Jeffrey (Kelso) | 6 |
| J Orwin (Gloucester) | 4 | Lock | A J Campbell (Hawick) | 4 |
| W A Dooley (Preston Grasshoppers) | 5 | Lock | A J Tomes (Hawick) | 5 |
| D H Cooke (Harlequins) | 7 | Flanker | D G Leslie* (Gala) | 7 |
| R Hesford (Bristol) *Captain | 8 | No 8 | I A M Paxton (Selkirk) *Captain | 8 |

REPLACEMENTS: 16 G H Davies (Wasps), 17 S barnes (Bristol), 18 R J Hill (Bath), 19 A Sheppard (Bristol), 20 A W Simpson (Sale), 21 M C Teague (Gloucester).

REPLACEMENTS: 16 N A Rowan (Boroughmuir), 17 G J Callander (Kelso), 18 T J Smith (Gala), 19 R J Hogarth (Kelso), 20 A E Kennedy (Watsonians), 21 J A Pollock (Gosforth).

Referee: C Norling (Wales)

# Welsh half backs hold the key

*By Gerald Davies*

Those of a romantic frame of mind, of which the Celts are notoriously well represented, are inclined to believe there is a great match in prospect between Wales and Ireland in Cardiff this afternoon. They will point out that both teams, in their opening dramatic sortie at Murrayfield, have produced *some sparkling rugby*, with players delivering what the *coaches had promised beforehand*.

Mick Doyle, of Ireland, and John *Bevan, of Wales, are still preaching*, in their differing styles, the gospel of *the running game. But there are* those with their feet more solidly *based in the soil, as the Welsh and* the Irish most certainly are when it comes to rugby matters, who fully realize that it might be fanciful *thinking to expect too much.* The game itself can often fall short and *fail to match the sweetness of the* anticipation.

What adds, beguilingly, to the flavour is the resurgent optimism which confidently claims that whoever wins today will go on the win the triple crown. To which a certain piquancy is added in knowing that is is England who will have to travel away on both occasions to deny or to yield to that *particular coup de théâtre.*

So now, Ireland come to Cardiff to seek their first victory since Alan Duggan socred the sole try to win the match in 1967, whilst Wales will want to stop the drift which has seen them lose the last three matches at home. Neither team owns a pack of forwards which can dominate a match, although the Irish looked the more comfortable against Scotland, whilst Wales succumbed more easily to the disruptive tactics employed on that day. The line-out, like the scrum, will be an evenly contested affair. Lenihan is forcing one unkindly gentleman to swallow his words. He suggested that Lenihan should be put out to grass with the others at the start of this season, but the Irishman is having a terrifically successful season, Anderson, a genial man with a smile and twinkle, has had an impressive first season so far.

*While Perkins is an honest grafter* from whom nothing much is asked *for in the lineout, it is from Norster* and Moriarity that Wales will expect the lineout possession. But I fancy all will be square in these phases and the outcome will be determined by the play of the back five. Pickering had a remarkable game against Scotland, and while the other two, Moriarity and Morris, had their impressive individual moments, the Irish trio, Matthews, Carr and Spillane, look to be the tighter, more balanced, unit. If Ireland appear to steal the advantage here, Holmes and Davies will recover it at half back. Their reputations are established, whereas Dean and Bradley are making theirs.

Elsewhere there is parity. Mullin can show the delicate touchs that Ring can: Ackerman provides the *hard core in the Welsh midfield*, as Kiernan does for the Irish. Wyatt, though reliable *in defence*, is liable to lapses as is MacNeil, while both instinctively on occasions can make something of nothing. Whether the wings will be in a position to influence matters is a moot point. For in the end, the fascination of the game lies to what extent after all the words have been spent, will be the player's courage be equal to their coaches's desire. In both cases, will the spirit, so generously exemplified at Murrayfield, still prevail?

### Coach plays

Iestyn Thomas, the Harlequins coach, *will play his first game of the* season against Coventry at the *Stoop ground tomorrow. He comes* at hooker for Olver, who has a knee *injury. In the Coventry side.* Farrington stands in for Brain at *hooker.*

## TODAY'S TEAMS IN CARDIFF

| Wales | | | Ireland | |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| M A Wyatt (Swansea) | 15 | Full back | H P MacNeill (Oxford University) | 15 |
| M H Titley (Bridgend) | 14 | Right wing | T M Ringland (Ballymena) | 14 |
| R A Ackerman (London Welsh) | 13 | Right centre | B J Mullin (Dublin University) | 13 |
| M G Ring (Cardiff) | 12 | Left centre | M J Kiernan (Lansdowne) | 12 |
| P I Lewis (Llanelli) | 11 | Left wing | K D Crossan (Instonians) | 11 |
| W G Davies (Cardiff) | 10 | Stand off | P M Dean (St Mary's College) | 10 |
| T D Holmes* (Cardiff) | 9 | Scrum half | M T Bradley (Cork Constitution) | 9 |
| J Whitefoot (Cardiff) | 1 | Prop | P A Orr (Old Wesley) | 1 |
| W J James (Aberavon) | 2 | Hooker | C F Fitzgerald* (St Mary's College) | 2 |
| I H Eidman (Cardiff) | 3 | Prop | J J McCoy (Dungannon) | 3 |
| M S Morris (South Wales Police) | 6 | Flanker | P M Matthews (Ards) | 6 |
| S J Perkins (Pontypool) | 4 | Lock | D G Lenihan (Cork Constitution) | 4 |
| R L Norster (Cardiff) | 5 | Lock | W A Anderson (Dungannon) | 5 |
| D F Pickering (Llanelli) | 7 | Flanker | N J Carr (Ards) | 7 |
| R D Moriarty (Swansea) *Captain | 8 | No 8 | B J Spillane (Bohemians) *Captain | 8 |

REPLACEMENTS: 16 H Davies (Bridgend), 17 B Bowen (South Wales Police), 18 D J Bishop (Pontypool), 19 I Stephens (Bridgend), 20 M D Richards (Neath), 21 G Roberts (Cardiff).

REPLACEMENTS: 16 M P Fitzpatrick (Wanderers), 17 H T Harbison (Bective Rangers), 18 B W McCall (London Irish), 19 R C Brady (Queen's University, Belfast), 20 R P Keyes (Cork Constitution), 21 P I Rainey (Lansdowne).

Referee: K V J FitzGerald (Australia)

BOXING

# Spaniard unlikely to extend Cowdell in European defence

*By Srikumar Sen, Boxing Correspondent*

With the exception of Colin Jones, there is no one boxing in Britain today who has done the country and the game as proud at home and abroad as Pat Cowdell. The Warley boxer distinguished himself as an amateur, winning four ABA titles, a Commonwealth gold and an Olympic bronze; he was unbeaten as European featherweight champion, and boxed the great Salvador Sanchez all the way in a world title bout. He is a match for any world junior-lightweight or featherweight, including Barry McGuigan.

Yet Cowdell has never been accorded the recognition he deserves. This is party due to an old-fashioned virtue in him that ironically the British admire most: getting a job done with the minimum of fuss. As such, he is unspectacular and does not catch the eye.

He will be seen on ITV tonight defending his European junior-lightweight title against Carlos Hernandez, of Spain. Cowdell should not be greatly extended. The Spaniard, at 34, is three years older than Cowdell. He has held the title himself and defended it eight times but he was never in the Midlander's class and must have fallen even further behind

Hernandez was stopped by Cornelius Boza-Edwards in four rounds, the Spaniard suddenly turning his back on Boza-Edwards and quitting. His connections are sure that that will not happen again. He certainly is fitter than Cowdell's last challenger, Roberto Castanon.

He should be around long enough to give the television viewer a chance to identify with a thorough professional like Cowdell who is as accomplished as a boxer as McGuigan is exciting as a fighter. *One day the two may meet.* It is a natural everyone wants to see.

*In the meantime* Cowdell is slowly but steadily reaching out for that elusive acclaim. He made many friends when he stopped the durable Santos Moreno, of Mexico, in seven rounds on the Don Curry-Colin Jones world championship show. His manager, Pat Lynch, says he hopes that before long Cowdell will be challenging Rocky Lockridge, of the United States, the world junior-lightweight champion, or Eusebio Pedroza, of Panama, the world featherweight title holder.



**Cowdell: no fuss**

RUGBY LEAGUE

# Half backs crucial

*By Keith Macklin*

Great Britain have won the last five games against France, and since they thrashed France 50-4 at *Headingley* a fortnight ago, logic might indicate a comfortable victory in the return match at Perpignan tomorrow.

However, experience teaches otherwise. France are harder to beat *on their own grounds than on their* travels, and backed by a French crowd, and still seething from the Headingley defeat, which was a *record margin of victory between* the countries, they will give Great *Britain a hot time.*

Maurice Bamford, the Great *Britain coach, has made several* changes from the Headingley side, *in order to look at as many players* as possible in preparation for the *visits of New Zealand this winter* and Australia next. There are four *new caps, the lively Leigh full back,* Johnson, and the Wigan trio of the wing threequarter, Ford, the hooker, Kiss, and front row forward, Wane.

Great Britain will once again look to the half backs to provide a *springboard*, with the intelligent running of Fox and the spectacular bursts of Hanley providing openings for the speedy wingers, Ford and Clark. The score will inevitably be much closer on French soil, but *Great Britain should win.*

In the first division championship, *sponsored by Slalom Lager*, Wigan face Workington Town without their three internationals, but are grateful that Town provide *the weakest of opposition*, having been thrashed by more than 60 *points in two of their last three* games. St Helens will be without the *suspended Arkwright at Halifax*, and play their new hooker from *Leigh, Ainsworth.*

# Height of ignorance to overlook Wotsisname

SIDELINES
**Gordon Allan**

**"Who are the Beatles?" I have a soft spot for the judge who asked *that question during a case at the* height of the Beatles era. He may *have known who they were, and* asked the question for the sake of a *titter in court. I prefer to give him* the benefit of the doubt and assume *that he honestly did not know of* their existence.**

**It is, you see, the sort of question I ask. As faithful readers know, I like sport without being fanatical about it. Hence my habit, when some new sporting superman comes along and sets the nation talking, of inquiring who he is.**

**"You mean to say you haven't heard of him?" is the incredulous response.**

**"No," say I.**

**"But he's all over the newspaper, and on the telly."**

**"Is he?"**

**"Of course he is. What's the matter with you, mate? You're supposed to be an expert on sport.**

**"Hm. Sorry."**

**End of dialogue. Sometimes, I admit, I play the ignoramus for a joke. But at other times I have not heard the superman or know only his name and nothing of the reasons for his celebrity.**

**I can never, for example, keep up with the turnover in the England football team. It is such as to make me wonder if every player in the first division is an international. I am not so behind the times that I think Bobby Charlton is still playing, but where people like-well, you can fill in the names-are concerned, I could *easily drop a clanger.***

**The trouble, as always, is that the trumpeted supermen are not supermen but mediocrities, and it is in the nature of mediocrities to look the same: which is why they come and go so frequently and why I cannot remember them, any more than I can remember the dozens of people I pass in the street every day. I remember Bobby Charlton, who played years ago, but not Wotsisname, who played last week.**

***What I say about supermen* applies also to supermen, or superpersons. It was a while before I knew exactly who Zola Budd was, although her picturesque name ought to have been enough to arouse my curiosity, and Nadia Comaneci was almost a figure from the past before I learnt – probably by accident – why everybody raved over her. I am always struggling to catch up with last year's news.**

**A few weeks back, I wrote that as a journalist I am expected by members of the public to have access to tickets for every sporting event under the sun. I should have added that I am also expected to be a walking encyclopaedia of sporting knowledge, able to identify every athlete of whatever kind, rattle off who won what and when, and settle instantly arguments on arcane points such as *which horse came* third in the 1897 Derby and who was cox of the Oxford boat in 1922.**

**To expect this of any man is as unreasonable as to expect every judge to have heard of the Beatles.**

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*England's first home match against Scotland was at the Oval cricket ground on a Monday afternoon. Teams were 20 a side and England won by a goal, a dropped goal and two tries to a dropped goal. Points scoring was not introduced until 1886.*

### INTERNATIONAL FOOTBALL MATCH

The second match between England and Scotland, under the Rugby Union rules, was played at the Kennington Oval Cricket-ground yesterday afternoon, and excited more interest than any previous football match in the metropolis. The first contest was held at Edinburgh on March 21, 1871, and ended in favour of Scotland by one goal, the English team being to a certain extent a scratch one. ... On the present occasion, however, numerous trial matches had been played on both sides, and the best possible twenties chosen. ... The north or river end of the Oval was the chosen ground, and considering the late heavy rains, the turf was in excellent condition; a space 120 yards long by 70 yards broad, with ten yards intervening outside the touch lines to keep back the spectators, having been marked out for playing on.

England took the west goal and Scotland the east-end one opposite the gasworks. The afternoon was well adapted for football, there being scarcely a breath of wind stirring, and when Stokes, the English captain, kicked off at 2.31 p.m. there were some 3,000 spectators, including many ladies, present. As regards weight, the Englishmen had far the best of it, and bore a marked contrast to the nimble Scotchmen, whose running powers were, on the other hand, the fleetest. Scotland now began to keep the ball unpleasantly close to their opponents' goal; and, notwithstanding two excellent runs by Wilkinson and Bentley, Cathcart got hold of the ball in a scrimmage and adroitly kicked the first goal for Scotland with a neat drop.

The English forwards now began to play up better and, a big scrimmage presently ensuing close on the Scotch goal line, their side were compelled to touch the ball down, by which means a rouge [*scrimmage*] was credited to England. For some time the ball still continued near the Scotch goal, their backs and half-backs trying to run too much and consequently getting tackled, instead of drop kicking when they had a clear field. At length Turner tried a run on behalf of England, but, getting charged over, Hammersley luckily seized the ball. After a very long maul in goal, he succeeded in touching it down, the matter ending in Isherwood's kicking a goal for England with a splendidly directed place kick.

At 3.16pm goals were changed and at the end of another quarter of an hour Freeman secured a secon goal for England by a drop kick amid loud and prolonged cheers. D'Aquilar soon afterwards got a touch down for the same side, but Isherwood's place kick at goal resulting therefrom proved a failure. The Scotchmen tried hard to retrieve their fortunes in the short interval left for play, but although Balfour obtained a kick at goal from a "fair catch" he was not successful at the attempt. Just before "no side" was called, at 4.3pm, Finney scored a touch down for England, but Isherwood failed to kick the goal and the match ended in favour of England.

In the evening the English Twenty entertained the Scotchmen to dinner at the St James's-*hall, Mr Algernon Rutter*, the president of the Rugby Foot-ball Union, presiding over a large party.

## FOOTBALL, RUGBY UNION AND OTHER WEEKEND FIXTURES

### First division

*Arsenal v Leicester City*
Aston Villa v Everton
Liverpool v Tottenham
Newcastle United v Coventry City
Norwich City v Sunderland
Nottingham Forest v West Bromwich
QPR v Ipswich Town
*Sheffield Wed v Luton Town*
Southampton v Stoke City
Watford v Chelsea

FA TROPHY: Fourth round: Altrincham v Stafford Rangers; Boston v Runcorn; Maidstone v Enfield; Wealdstone v Frickley Athletic.
GOLA LEAGUE: Barnet v Bath; Dartford v Barrow; Northwich Victoria v Kidderminster; *Nuneaton v Scarborough; Weymouth v* Dagenham; Worcester v Telford; Yeovil v Gateshead.
NORTHERN PREMIER *LEAGUE*: Buxton v Bangor; Chorley v Oswestry; Gainsborough v Witton Albion; Gateshead v South Liverpool; Grantham v Rhyl; Hyde v Burton Albion; Macclesfield v Morecambe; Marine v Mossley; *Matlock v Horwich; Workington v Worksop.*
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: Corby v King's Lynn; Crawley v Cheltenham; Fareham v Alvechurch; Fisher v A. F. Leamington; Folkestone v Gravesend; Gloucester v Bedworth; Shepshed v Chelmsford; Welling v Hastings; Willenhall v Trowbridge; Witney v R.S.Southampton. Midland division: Bromsgrove Rovers v Wellington; Dudley v Banbury; Leicester United v Bridgnorth; Oldbury v Redmastord; Redditch v Aylesbury; Rushden v Forest Green Rovers; Stourbridge v Coventry Sporting; VS Rugby v Merthyr Tydfil. Southern division: Andover v Ashford; Cambridge City v Hillingdon (at Hillingdon); Dorchester v Addlestone and Weybridge; Dover v Canterbury City; Poole v Gosport Borough; Sheppey v Basingstoke; Thanet v Erith and Belvedere; Tonbridge AFC v Dunstable; Wyterlooville v Salisbury; Woodford v Chatham.
NORTHERN COUNTIES EAST LEAGUE: Cup: Quarter-finals: Alfreton v Denaby; Ilkston v Eastwood; Long Eaton v Harrogate. Premier division: *Appleby Frodingham v Guiseley*; Boston v Bentley Victoria; Bridlington Trinity v Sutton Town; Guisborough v Thackley; Heanor v Emley; Maccborough v Belper; Pontefract Cob v Spalding.
*EASTERN COUNTIES LEAGUE*: Bury v Braintree; Chatteris v Colchester; Clacton v Thetford; Felixstowe v Histon; Haverhill v Ely; Soham Town v Great Yarmouth; Tiptree v Gorleston. League Cup: March Town v *Brantham; Harwich and Parkeston v Wisbech.*

### Second division

*Blackburn Rovers v Birmingham City*
Brighton v Oxford United
Fulham v Charlton
Grimsby Town v Portsmouth
Leeds United v Barnsley
*Manchester City v Shrewsbury Town*
Middlesbrough v Sheffield United
Wimbledon v Huddersfield Town P
Wolverhampton v Oldham Athletic

CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Manchester United v Everton (2.0).
FOOTBALL COMBINATION: Ipswich v Watford (2.15); Tottenham Hotspur v Southampton (2.0).
SMIRNOFF IRISH LEAGUE: Bangor v Newry; Cliftonville v Carrick Rangers; Coleraine v Crusaders; Distillery v Ballymena; Glenavon v Linfield; Glentoran v Ards; Larne v Portadown.

*GREAT MILLS WESTERN LEAGUE*: Premier division: Barnstaple v Devizes; Bristol City v Taunton; Chard v Melksham; Chippenham v Bristol Manor Farm; Clandown v Plymouth Reserves; Dawlish v Mangotsfield; Exmouth v Minehead; Liskeard v Shepton Mallet; Saltash v Paulton Rovers; Weston-Super-Mare v Bedeford.

SERVOWARM ISTHMIAN LEAGUE: Premier division: Barking v Epsom and Ewell; Carshalton v Tooting and Mitcham; Croydon v Bishop's Stortford; Dulwich Hamlet v Slough; Harrow Borough v Walthamstow Avenue; Hayes v Harlow; Hendon v Windsor and Eton; Leytonstone and Ilford v Wokingham; Sutton *United v Billericay; Wycombe Wanderers v* Worthing. First division: Basildon v Aveley; Bromley v Hornchurch; Chesham v Walton and Hersham; *Clapton v Boreham Wood*; Hampton v Wembley; Kingstonian v Famborough; Leatherhead v St. Albans; Maidenhead United v Staines; Oxford City v Lewes; Tilbury v Metropolitan Police; Wolding v Hertford.

Second division north: Chalfont St Peter v Saffron Walden; Cheshunt v Haringey Borough; Epping v Stevenage Borough; Flackwell Heath v Barton Rovers; Heybridge Swifts v Wolverton; Letchworth GC v Marlow; *Leyton-Wingate v Berkhamsted*; Royston v Hemel Hempstead; Tring v Harefield; Ware v Finchley. Second division south: Bracknell v Hungerford; Chertsey v Banstead; Dorking v Horsham; Eastbourne United v Ruislip Manor; Feltham v Petersfield; Molesey v Uxbridge; Newbury v Camberley; Rainham v Egham; Southall v Grays.

ARTHUR DUNN CUP, Second round, second replay: Lancing O.B. v Carthusians (2.30).

### Third division

*Bournemouth v Bolton Wanderers*
Brentford v Millwall P
Bristol Rovers v Rotherham United
Cambridge United v Orient
Doncaster Rovers v Hull City
*Gillingham v Bristol City*
Lincoln City v Burnley
Plymouth Argyle v Derby County
Reading v Preston North End
Wigan Athletic v Walsall

*ARTHURIAN LEAGUE: Premier division*; Aldenhamians v Brentwoodian; Chigwellians v Westminsters, Foresters v Cholmeleians. First division: Ardinians v Wellingburians, Citizens v Harrovians, Reptonians v Bradfieldians. *Wykehamists v Etonians.*

SUSSEX COUNTY LEAGUE, League Cup, second round: Arundel v Burgess Hill, Chichester v Sterling, Lingfield v Hastings. *Third round: Shoreham v Three Bridges.* First division: Eastbourne Town v Lancing, Hailsham v Whitehawk, Peacehaven & Telscombe v Littlehampton, Ringmer v Midhurst & Easebourne, Wick v Horsham YMCA.

SUSSEX SENIOR CUP, Semi-final round (Worthing FC): Bognor Regis v Portfield.

ESSEX SENIOR LEAGUE: Chelmsford v Brightlingsea; Coggeshall v Bowers; East *Thurrock v Brentwood; Eton Manor v Witham*; Ford v Wivenhoe; Halstead v East Ham; Maldon v Stansted; Sawbridgeworth v Canvey Island.

COMBINED COUNTIES LEAGUE, Concours Trophy, semi-final round (2.0): B.As (Weybridge) v Ash; Malden Vale v Southwick. Premier division: Chobham v Hartley Wintney; Cove v Horley; Cranleigh v Fleet; Farnham v Marsham; Godalming v Cobham; Virginia *Water v Farleigh; Westfield v Malden.*

HELLENIC LEAGUE: Premier division: Abingdon United v Morris Motors; Bicester v Maidenhead; Clanfield v Supermarine; Didcot v Shortwood; Hounslow v Fairford; Moreton v Almondsbury Greenway; Raymers Lane v Abingdon Town; Thame v Wantage; *Wallingford v Sharpness.*

LONDON SPARTAN LEAGUE: League Cup, Semi-final: Burnham v Collier Row. Premier division: Beckton v Edgware; Harefield v Thatcham; Northwood v Amersham; Pennant v Corinthian Casuals; Swanley v BROS Barnet; Waltham Abbey v Redhill.

### Fourth division

Blackpool v Scunthorpe United
Bury v Aldershot P
Chester v Exeter City
Chesterfield v Halifax Town
Hereford United v Hartlepool United
Port Vale v Rochdale
Stockport County v Peterborough
Swindon Town v Crewe Alexandra
Torquay United v Mansfield Town
Tranmere Rovers v Wrexham

*UNITED COUNTIES LEAGUE, premier* division: Arlesey v Bracklay; Baldock v Rothwell; Desborough v Potton; Eynesbury v Ampthill; Long Buckby v Bourne; Newport Pagnell v Stotfold; Raunds v Buckingham; St Neots v Stamford (1.45); S and L Corby v Holbeach, Wootton v Irthlingborough.

SCHOOLBOY INTERNATIONAL: England v West Germany (Wembley).

#### HOCKEY

ATARI LONDON LEAGUE (2.45) Premier Division: Postponed: Slough v Southgate. League: Blackheath v Hampstead; Guildford v Surbiton; Hawks v St Albans; London University v Wimbledon; Maidenhead v Tulse Hill; Mid-Surrey v Dulwich; Old Kingstonians v Teddington; Richmond v Cheam.

NORWICH UNION EAST LEAGUE: Premier Division: Blueharts v St Neots; Brentwood v Cambridge City; Ford v Cambridgeshire Nomads; Ipswich v Broxbourne; Long Sutton v Westcliff; Norfolk Wanderers v Harleston; Norwich Grasshoppers v Old Loughtonians.

TRUMAN SOUTH LEAGUE: Premier division: Anchorians v Bournemouth; Bognor v Chichester; Fareham v ETESSA; Walton v Eastcote. Hampshire/Surrey: Nat West Bank v Old Tauntonians. Kent/Sussex: Maidstone v Herne Bay; South Saxons v Gore Court. Middlesex/Berks, Bucks & Oxon: Banbury v Hendon; Bracknell v Aylesbury; Staines v Amersham.

#### ICE HOCKEY

HEINEKEN LEAGUE: Premier division: Ayr *Bruins v Durham Wasps (7.0)*; Cleveland Bombers v Streatham Redskins (6.30); Fife Flyers v Southampton Vikings (7.0); Nottingham Panthers v Murrayfield Racers (6.30). First division: Blackpool Seagulls v Gl Solihull Barons (7.0); Crowtree Chiefs v Deeside Dragons (6.30); Grimsby Buffaloes v Peterborough Pirates (7.15).

### Scottish premier division

Celtic v Hibernian
Dumbarton v Morton
Dundee v Aberdeen
Hearts v Dundee United
St Mirren v Rangers

#### RUGBY LEAGUE

*SECOND DIVISION: Salford v Southend Invicta* (3.0)

#### VOLLEYBALL

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES: Men: England v Scotland (at Gateshead) Women: Scotland v England (Aberdeen).

#### LACROSSE

SOUTH OF ENGLAND LEAGUE: First division: Buckhurst Hill v Purley; Hampstead v London University; Kenton v Purley

#### BASKETBALL

CARLSBERG NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: Play-off decider: Sperring Solent Stars v *Nissan Bears Worthing (8.00)* Second division: Calderdale Explorers v McEwen Tyneside (8.00); Gluvodin Plymouth v Sandwell Mall (7.30).

CARLSBERG NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: *Semi-final Women: Dalmeau Crystal Palace v* Ashfield Glass Nottingham (6.30). National Trophy final: Self Vending Rugby v Ipswich Bobcats (3.45).
FRIENDLY: Kingcraft Kingston v Crystal Palace (8.00).

#### OTHER SPORT

ATHLETICS: AAA/WAAA junior indoor championships (at Cosford).

BILLIARDS: World championships (at Hatton Garden, London).

BOWLS: National under-31 championships (at Hartlepool).

BOXING: European junior lightweight championship: Pat Cowdell, holder (GB) v *Carlos Hernandez (Sp) (at Aston Villa Leisure* Centre).

*REAL TENNIS*: MCC v *The Jesters (Lord's*, 10.30).

SQUASH RACKETS: Super inter-county finals (at Northampton).

SWIMMING: International meeting (at East Kilbride).

RACKETS: British open doubles championship (at Queen's Club, London).

### Scottish first division

*Ayr United v East Fife*
Brechin City v Hamilton
Falkirk v Clyde
Forfar Athletic v St Johnstone
Meadowbank v Kilmarnock
*Motherwell v Clydebank*
Partick Thistle v Airdrieonians

#### RUGBY UNION

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES
England v Scotland (at Twickenham)
*Wales v Ireland (at Cardiff, 2.30).*

CLUB MATCHES
Aspatria v Hawick
*Boroughmuir v Edinburgh Acads (12.30).*
Bradford & Bingley v Hartlepool Rovers.
*Camborne v Exeter*
Cheltenham v Nuneaton
*Gala v Fylde*
Gosforth v Vale of Lune
*Headingley v Liverpool*
Hull & E.R. v Broughton Park
London Scottish v Nottingham (11.30)
London Welsh v Rosslyn Park (11.30)

### Scottish second division

*Albion Rovers v Berwick*
Alloa Athletic v Cowdenbeath
Arbroath v Stirling Albion
East Stirling v Montrose
Queen of South v Raith Rovers
*Queen's Park v Dunfermline*
Stenhousemuir v Stranraer

#### RUGBY UNION

*Lydney v Exeter University*
Manchester v Roundhay
*Melrose v Haddington (12.0).*
Moseley v Richmond (1.0)
New Brighton v Morley
Northampton v Sale
Northern v London Irish
Otley v Middlesborough
*Plymouth Albion v Bristol (7.0)*
Selkirk v Kilmarnock (12.45)
*Sheffield v Birmingham*
Stewart's/Melville F.P. v Royal High (12.0)
U.S. Portsmouth v Wasps
West Hartlepool v Wakefield
Wilmslow v Waterloo



**Steve McMahon: (Aston Villa) returns from an ankle injury to face his old club, Everton, at Villa Park**

## TOMORROW

#### FOOTBALL

3.0 unless stated

**Second division**

Cardiff City v Notts County
Crystal Palace v Carlisle United

**Third division**

Swansea City v Newport County
York City v Bradford City

**Fourth division**

Northampton Town v Southend United
SOUTHERN LEAGUE: Premier division: King's Lynn v Witney Town.

#### RUGBY UNION

CLUB MATCHES: Blackheath v Metropolitan Police; *Harlequins v Coventry (at Stoop,* Memorial Ground, 2.45); Redruth v Bristol.

REPRESENTATIVE MATCH: *Kent President's* XV v The Netherlands (at Knole Paddock, Sevenoaks, 2.30).

#### RUGBY LEAGUE

SLALOM LAGER CHAMPIONSHIP: First division: Barrow v Bradford Northerns (2.30); Halifax v St. Helens; Hull v Oldham; Leeds v Hunslet; Leigh v Featherstone Rovers (3.30); Widnes v Warrington; Wigan v Workington Town. Second division: Carlisle v Keighley; Dewsbury v Sheffield Eagles (3.30); Doncaster v Bridgend; Huddersfield v Bramley (3.30); Mansfield M v Southend Invicta (3.30); Rochdale Hornets v Blackpool Borough; Runcorn Highfield v Whitehaven; Swinton v York; Wakefield Trinity v Fulham (3.30).

#### BASKETBALL

CARLSBERG NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS: Play-off: Men: Cotrills Manchester Giants v *Walkers Crisps Leicester (6.30).* Women's semi-final: Avon Northampton v Kingcraft Kingston (3.30).

SECOND DIVISION: Men: Cad Tower Hamlets v Team Wakefields Nottingham (4.0); Swindon Rakers v Team Telecom Colchester (4.0).

#### VOLLEYBALL

INTERNATIONAL MATCHES: Men: England v Scotland (at Darlington); Women: Scotland v England (at Grangemouth).

#### ICE HOCKEY

HEINEKEN LEAGUE: *Premier division: Ayr* Bruins v Southampton Vikings (7.0); Durham Wasps v Streatham Redskins (6.30); Whitley Warriors v Murrayfield Racers (6.30). First division: Blackpool Seagulls v Deeside Dragons (5.45); Bournemouth Stags v Altrincham Aces (5.0); Gl Solihull Barons v Crowtree Chiefs (6.0).

#### OTHER SPORT

BOWLS: National under-31 championship (at Hartlepool).
ETON FIVES: Alan Barber Cup: Final: O Cholmeleians v O Salopians (at Eton, 2.30).
ROAD RUNNING: Rank Xerox 10km (at Manchester); Inter Counties 20 miles Championship (at Stanford); Charing Cross Hospital "8" (at Fulham); Whitchurch "10"; Hastings half marathon; Addidas/*Mars Bath* half marathon.

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RACING

# Bowden to make weight tell against Aonoch

By Mandarin (Michael Phillips)

Aonoch, who finished third to Rose Ravine and Crimson Embers in the Waterford Crystal Stayers Hurdle at Cheltenham on Tuesday, a makes a swift return to the fray at Lingfield this afternoon when he will contest the Bic Razor Gold Cup under top weight.

Well that Aonoch ran at Cheltenham I still wonder whether it was the ideal preparation for a test such as this. In the circumstances I am content to look eleswhere for the possible winner and my short list comprises John Francome's mount Infielder, who finished third to Desert Orchid in the Oteley Hurdle at Sandown in February, and three nearer the foot of the handicap, Tom Sharp, Man About Town and Bowden.

A week ago Tom Sharp started third favourite for the Imperial Cup but failed to run up to expectations. In the end he beat only four home. While conceding that he is obviously capable of better things I still prefer **Bowden.**

It was on the same afternoon at Sandown that I noticed Bowden, ridden by Gerald Owley, run really well behind Desert Hero in the Past and Present Hurdle. That race, which was Bowden's first for nearly four months, should have put him right for today's contest when the distance of two and a half miles is likely to suit him better.

While nothing can compensate Francome for losing the opportunity for different reasons to win the Champion Hurdle and the Gold Cup earlier this week on See You Then and Burrough Hill Lad he should end the week on a good note by winning the Steel Plate and Sections Young Chasers. Qualifier for Fred Winter on **Brown Trix** and perhaps the second division of the Bic Razor Novices' Hurdle as well on **Kamadee** who has shown promise in Ireland. Brown Trix certainly came good, in his latest race at Stratford.

**Bayham Sir Vardon**, runner-up to Broadheath at Wincanton earlier this month and second to Green Brambile at Lingfield before that, now looks to have an excellent chance of going one better in the Limpsfield Handicap Chase, especially as he appears to have the measure of the course specialist Saunders.

Bold Yeoman and Manton Castle, who miss that race to go for the Graham Kitchens Chase at Chepstow, should run well there without managing to beat either Corbiere or Armagnac Princess, who won the race 12 months ago. **Corbiere** may not be the force he was once, neverthe.ess this does look like a good opportunity for him to strike lucky again before his third crack at the Grand National.

At Newcastle I' expect the Malton trainer Charlotte Postlethwaite and her jockey, Tony Charlton, to pull off a double with **Bonny Gold** (2.0) and **Togg** (4.30).

Bonny Gold will need to be at his best to win the ITM Handicap Hurdle especially as Carneades, Mick's Star and Duncombe Prince are all in the line up.

Togg, his stable companion, is napped to win the second division of the Belford Novices Hurdle.

His recent win at Haydock, where he had landed a gamble when beating Mount Bolus and Chipped Metal, looks all the better now that the third horse has come out again and won at Ayr.

**Newlife Connection**, the winner of successive steeplechases at Catterick, Wetherby and Doncaster, looks the one they all have to beat in the BMW series (qualifier).

Finally, **Master Tercel** is my idea of the best bet on the Uttoxeter card in the Hawthorn Memorial Challenge Cup. When last seen he finished third at Leicester to Mr Snugfitt and Monica Dickinson's good but ill-fated chaser, Last Deal.



**Aonoch, third in Cheltenham's Waterford Crystal Stayers Hurdle on Tuesday, makes a speedy reappearance at Lingfield today.**

# Piggott opts out of Lincoln

Lester Piggott has given up the mount on the Willie Musson trained Roman Beach in next Saturday's Lincoln Handicap. Pat Eddery takes the ride.

Piggott, at present in Hong Kong, has confirmed that he will ride the Ron Mason trained colt Bit Of A Lark in the 1,200 metres Golden Nugget Sales Stakes in Queensland in two weeks time. This is Australia's richest two-year-old provincial event.

Only a month ago Piggott recorded three victories at one meeting in Queensland.

● Remorseless, generally quoted at 25-1 for the Lincoln, will not now run, "We have not been able to get him ready in time because of the weather," his trainer, John Ciechanowski, said.

### Course specialists

**LINGFIELD**
TRAINERS: F Winter, 27 winners from 79 runners, 34.2%; P Cundell 5 from 22, 22.7%; J Jenkins 9 from 42, 21.4%.
JOCKEYS: J Francome 29 winners from 91 rides, 31.9%; Steve Knight 10 from 35, 28.6%; H Davies 19 from 81, 23.5.

**NEWCASTLE**
TRAINERS: M H Easterby 33 winners from 128 runners, 25.8%; N Crump 19 from 97, 19.6%; A Scott 13 from 75, 17.1%.
JOCKEYS: A Brown 13 winners from 72 rides, 25.0%; J J O'Neill 25 from 120, 20.8%; R Lamb 30 from 163, 18.4%.

**CHEPSTOW**
TRAINERS: F Winter 21 winners from 82 runners, 25.6%; D Gandolfo 9 from 39, 23.1%; T Forster 18 from 85, 21.2%.
JOCKEYS: C Mann 4 winners from 15 rides, 26.7%; P Scudamore 19 from 95, 20.0%; R Hoare 4 from 30, 13.3%.

**UTTOXETER**
TRAINERS: J Edwards 14 winners from 52 runners, 26.9%; J Webber 9 from 42, 21.4%; I Wardle 10 from 55, 18.2%.
JOCKEYS: S J O'Neill 15 winners from 95 rides, 15.8%; G McCourt 6 from 38, 15.8%.

# Double consolation for the champion

The champion jockey John Francome, out of luck at the Cheltenham Festival meeting where injury cost him the Champion Hurdle on See You Then, was back in winning action at Lingfield Park yesterday with a double on Rhythmic Pastimes and I Haventalight.

The latter, trained by Fred Winter led at the 13th fence of the Hennessy Cognac Novices' Chase, was headed by Navajo Brave two obstacles later, but regained command on the run-in to win by three lengths.

Rhythmic Pastimes, a 4-1 chance, made every yard in the Chelsham Handicap Hurdle for an impressive 12-length defeat of the favourite, Seagram. This gave John Jenkins his 63rd success of the season but the Epsom trainer was immediately summoned by the stewards to explain the reversal in form by Rhythmic Pastimes with Seagram compared to the running in last Saturday's Imperial Cup.

Seagram was fourth to the subsequent festival winner Floyd in the Imperial Cup, while Rhythmic Pastimes was always behind and finished 13th. Jenkins said that at Sandown his gelding was ridden by Frank Leavy was left flatfooted after jumping the first two hurdles badly and never got into the race afterwards. Jenkins added that Rhythmic Pastimes is a front-runner and in today's small field, the other jockeys allowed Francome to poach a big lead. This was accepted by the stewards.

Another horse due to run at Newbury next week is Muqadar who made a winning debut for his trainer Oliver Sherwood in the Newleaf Novices' Hurdle (Div I). Richard Rowe, having his first ride for Sherwood, brought the 12-1 chance home two lengths clear of Noble Mount. Bought by Marshall Racing Ltd for $50,000 as a yearling in the United States, Muqadar won over two miles on the Flat last summer for Guy Harwood.

John Marshall said: "He's our first jumper and after a short campaign with Sherwood, moves to Robert Armstrong at Newmarket. Muqadar will be trained with the Cesarewitch in mind."

The Sussex owner-trainer Mrs Jo Mann, currently skiing in France, gained some holiday expenses when her City Boy, ridden by Tim Thompson Jones, came home 12 lengths clear in the Gift Horse Novices' Hunters' Chase.

## Change of luck

Jenny Pitman, still bitterly disappointed at Burrough Hill Lad's absence from Thursday's Gold Cup, gained minor consolation when Rough Stones scored a convincing success in the first division of the Marston Novices' Hurdle at Wolverhampton yesterday. The four-year-old won two races on the flat last season when trained by Dick Hern for the Queen, and this was only his second race over hurdles.

## Lethal virus

The Ballintober Stud at Newmarket, owned by Mrs Merrion Meade, has been forced to close down because of the effects of equine herpes virus. All 13 horses at the Stud, including mares, yearlings and foals, have been put down.

In making her decision to close the Stud Mrs Meade was worried that stock sold would break down in training or pass the virus on to other stables.

## LINGFIELD PARK (ITV)

*[Televised: 1.45, 2.15, 2.45]*

GOING: soft.

**1.45 STEEL PLATE & SECTIONS YOUNG CHASERS NOVICE CHASE** (Qualifier: £2,217: 2m 4f) (12 runners)

| | | | |
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| 103 | 14-3201 | **BROWN TRIX** (C Crone) F Winter 7-11-8 | J Francome |
| 107 | pp0 | **COUNTRY CIRCUS** (R Pelham) J Gifford 6-11-4 | Peter Hobbs |
| 108 | 000-110 | **CRESUN** (BF) (J Bolam) S Woodman 6-11-4 | C Brown |
| 110 | 20-4204 | **FALKLAND CONQUEROR** (Conley Properties Ltd) G Kindersley 7-11-4 | Mr S Sherwood |
| 111 | 022up2 | **GOLDEN MINSTREL** (W Gale) J Gifford 5-11-4 | R Rowe |
| 112 | 022 | **JUST JOKING** (T Nixon) T Forster 6-11-4 | H Davies |
| 114 | 422220 | **MR CANDY** (A Moore) A Moore 6-11-4 | G Moore |
| 116 | 0-10pp0 | **PALMERSTON** (E Gibbins) D Barons 6-11-4 | Mr C Thornton |
| 121 | 3-14002 | **WILY YEOMAN** (Mrs H Alwen) J Gifford 6-11-4 | – |
| 123 | -p0p40p | **EVENING SONG** (Mrs P Townsley) Mrs P Townsley 6-10-13 | Mr P Townsley |
| 125 | 02/000 | **NEOTERIC** (Mrs E Williams) J O'Donoghue 6-10-13 | R Rowell |
| 127 | 00000-f | **WINNING CLOVER** (W Logan) R Blakeney 7-10-13 | S Shilston |

1984: Carvad Opal 6-11-12 J Francome (2-5 fav) F Winter 7 ran.

5-4 Brown Trix, 4 Just Joking, 5 Cresun, 8 Falkland Conqueror, 12 Wily Yeoman, 14 Mr Candy, Palmerston, 20 others.

FORM: **BROWN TRIX** (11-0) easy 15l Stratford winner from Rogairio (11-10) (2m 6f), previously (10-12) a 10l runner-up to Drumsedowney (11-2) at Sandown (3m ch, £3,044, good to soft, Nov 30, 7 ran). **CRESUN** has failed twice since (10-12) beating Overseway (11-5) 7l at Windsor (2m ch, £1,223, good, Nov 10, 14 ran). **MR CANDY** (11-5) weakened after mistakes into 7th behind Mr Moonraker (11-9) here (2m 4f). **GOLDEN MINSTREL** 11-0) 20l 2nd to Doll Lars (10-13) at Plumpton (2m 4f ch, £1,691, soft, Feb 26, 9 ran. **WILY YEOMAN** (11-0) ½1 2nd to Hazy Sunset at Sandown (2m ch, £2,332, good, Mar 9, 10 ran.
Selection: **CRESUN.**

### Lingfield selections

By Mandarin

1.45 Brown Trix. 2.15 Virgin Soldier. 2.45 Bowden. 3.15 Catherine Bridge. 3.45 Bayham Sir Vardon. 4.15 Kamadee.

**Michael Seely's selection:** 3.45 **BAYHAM SIR VARDON** (nap).

**2.15 BIC LADY SHAVER HANDICAP CHASE** (£2,183: 2m 4f) (7)

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| 202 | 2-1r104 | **YOUNG LOVER** (D) (Mrs O Jackson) F Winter 7-11-7 | J Francome |
| 204 | 0p-pppp | **BOLD ARGUMENT** (CD) (M Evans) R Blakeney 12-10-12 | H Davies |
| 207 | 0p6p0p | **BASH STREET KID** (C) (Mrs V Langford) D Dughton 10-10-5 | P Double |
| 208 | 1110-31 | **SPANISH STREAK** (Mrs M Swiboth) J Fox 8-10-0 (5 ex) | S Moore |
| 210 | pp11p2 | **ROGAIRIO** (M Popham) P Bailey 9-10-0 | C Brown |
| 213 | f03432 | **VIRGIN SOLDIER** (D) (Mrs J Dibdden) J Old 9-10-0 | P Murphy |
| 217 | 0p4380 | **ROYAL POTION** (D Pearman) D Pearman 10-10-0 | – |

1984: Bold Yeoman 8-11-0 M Palmer (18-1) J Gifford 7 ran.

9-4 Spanish Streak, 3 Young Lover, 4 Virgin Soldier, 13-2 Rogairio, 10 Bash Street Kid, 12 Royal Potion, 14 Bold Argument.

FORM: **YOUNG LOVER** (11-0) 38 ½14th to Forgive 'N' Forget (11-8) at Haydock (2m 4f ch, £11,200, good to soft, Mar 2, 7 ran). **BASH STREET KID** (11-7) 17l Fontwell 5th behind Graiguenamanagh (10-0) (2m 2.5f ch, £2,343, soft, Feb 4, 7 ran). **SPANISH STREAK** (11-3) recovered from an appalling mistake at the last to beat Hadajar (11-1) at Stratford (2m ch, £1,832, heavy, Mar 7, 8 ran). **ROGAIRIO** (11-1) 15l runner-up to Brown Trix (11-0) at Stratford (2m 5f ch, £2,034, heavy, Mar 7, 14 ran). **VIRGIN SOLDIER** (11-0) failed by a short head to catch Golden Knoll (11-4) at Leicester (2m 4f ch, £1,215, heavy, Jan 29, 6 ran).
Selection: **YOUNG LOVER.**

**2.45 BIC RAZOR GOLD CUP** (handicap hurdle: £8,811: 2m 4f) (16)

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| 301 | 1104-13 | **AONOCH** (D) (M Pacifico) Mrs S Oliver 6-11-13 (6 ex) | G radley |
| 304 | 11f-043 | **INFIELDER** (T Waterman) F Winter 6-11-0 | J Francome |
| 306 | 100001 | **TUGBOAT** (B) (D) (H Hough) P Mitchell 6-10-11 | Mr S Sherwood |
| 307 | 44-3000 | **SHINY COPPER** (B) (D Tyler) Mrs N Smith 7-10-11 | – |
| 308 | 2-1p221 | **JADE AND DIAMOND** (C) (R Lavelle) G Balding 7-10-10 | R Chapman 4 |
| 310 | 022p00 | **WHOLE SHEBANG** (R Bartholomew) D A Wilson 6-10-9 | Steve Knight |
| 312 | 00-0040 | **BRAVE HUSSAR** (H Joel) J Gifford 7-10-8 | R Rowe |
| 314 | 231f-0 | **TOM SHARP** (M Yarrow) W Wharton 5-10-5 | H Davies |
| 315 | 00-1144 | **MAN ABOUT TOWN** (BF) (A Crowther) P Mitchell 7-10-1 | R G Hughes |
| 317 | 323-000 | **BOWDEN** (Miss S Douglas-Pennant) I Dudgeon 7-10-1 | M Richards |
| 318 | 003020 | **AMRULLAH** (T Thom) J Bridger 5-10-0 | R Goldstein |
| 319 | 000010 | **MISTER PITT** (B) (D) (A Merritt) T Jones 6-10-0 | P Corrigan 7 |
| 320 | 0120p0 | **ROUGH COURSE** (K Catchpole) Miss L Bower 7-10-0 | M Kinane |
| 322 | 24001f | **GOING BROKE** (E O'Neill) D Smith 5-10-0 (5 ex) | C Brown |
| 323 | 002324 | **GOLDEN BRIGADIER** (B) (L Turland) J Old 7-10-0 | P Murphy |
| 324 | 0-21002 | **FOUR CHARACTERS** (Mrs M Fogarty) R Nevin (Ire) 6-10-0 | M Dwyer |

1984: Jorge Miguel 5-10-6 S Smith Eccles 15-2 G Pritchard-Gordon 12 ran.

6-4 Aonoch, 5 Tugboat, 6 Infielder, 8 Going Broke, 10 Four Characters, 12 Tom Sharp, 14 Jade And Diamond, 16 others.

FORM: **AONOCH** (11-10) 5l 3rd to Rose Ravine (11-5) at Cheltenham on Tuesday (3m 1f hdle, £21,320, good, 22 ran). **INFIELDER** (10-11) 11 ½1 3rd to Desert Orchid (11-5) at Sandown. **AMRULLAH** (10-7) 18l away 8th (2m hdle, £4,417, soft, Feb 2, 8 ran). **TUGBOAT** (10-8) beat **AMRULLAH** (10-4) 4l at Plumpton (2m 4f hdle, £4,864, soft, Feb 26, 15 ran) – **SHINY COPPER** (11-2) back in 10th. **JADE AND DIAMOND** (11-4) 16 ½1 6th to Berlin (11-4) here (2m hdle, £2,845, soft, Feb 26, 9 ran). **WHOLE SHEBANG** (10-13) 9th to Floyd (10-2) at Sandown with **AMRULLAH** (10-1) and **TOM SHARP** (10-5) further back. Earlier (10-7) finished 3l 3rd to Prideaux Boy (10-3) at Sandown, later promoted 2nd (2m hdle, £11,645, good to soft, Dec 1, 14 ran, **MAN ABOUT TOWN** (11-3) 19l to Cats Eyes (11-11) at Fontwell (2m 2f hdle, £4,181, soft, Feb 4, 13 ran). **FOUR CHARACTERS**, an Irish raider, showed his best when (11-4) 14l 7th to Cheeky Run (11-4) at Thurles (2m 2f hdle, £1,725, good, Feb 21, 18 ran).
Selection: **WHOLE SHEBANG.**

**3.15 BIC RAZOR NOVICE HURDLE** (Div I: £548: 2m) (18)

| | | | |
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| 401 | 0p0143 | **ISOM DART** (J Davidson) T Hallett 6-11-7 | B Wright |
| 405 | 000-p00 | **BOLD PAGAN** (C White) C White 6-11-2 | J H Davies |
| 406 | 0060p0 | **CHARLIE DAN** (A Moore) A Moore 7-11-2 | – |
| 407 | 0pp0 | **COOLARAP** (B) (A Caton) Miss L Bower 5-11-2 | M Kinane |
| 410 | p | **RED EMERALD** (M Keegan) M W Keegan 10-11-2 | R Goldstein |
| 411 | 3/p-00 | **STINGO** (K Higson) A Moore 6-11-2 | G Moore |
| 414 | 3 | **BALLYTRENT** (BF) (Mrs G McKey) F T Winter 5-11-0 | J Francome |
| 415 | 3-2000 | **CAPTAIN WEBSTER** (B) (J Woodman) S Woodman 5-11-0 | P Corrigan 7 |
| 417 | 0021 | **CATHERINE BRIDGE** (Sir K Batt) T Forster 5-11-0 | H Davies |
| 418 | 24331 | **CHEEKY RUPERT** (Miss P Radford) E Eldin 5-11-0 | J Barlow |
| 419 | 0 | **CLEAR MAGIC** (S Embiricos) J Gifford 5-11-0 | Peter Hobbs |
| 421 | | **HARRY'S DOUBLE** (N Sherwood) O Sherwood 5-11-0 | Mr S Sherwood |
| 422 | p3-003 | **HOMEWARD** (D Larke) Mrs N Smith 5-11-0 | A Jones 7 |
| 423 | 00 | **MISSING MAN** (Mrs L Simpson) J Gifford 5-11-0 | R Rowe |
| 424 | 00p-30 | **PRINCE FELIX** (Mrs L Browning) D W Browning 5-11-0 | J Akehurst |
| 425 | | **RELMORE** (P Douglas) G Kindersley 5-11-0 | M Richards |
| 427 | 00-2230 | **RIG STEEL** (R Robbins) P Cundell 5-11-0 | M Perrett |
| 430 | 000 | **NEARLY A TANGO** (D Hall) D Elsworth 5-10-9 | C Brown |

1984: Glyde Court 7-11-7 J Francome (3-1) F Winter 14 ran.

5-2 Catherine Bridge, 3 Ballytrent, 4 Cheeky Rupert, 11-2 Homeward, 8 Isom Dart, 12 Rig Steel, 14 others.

**3.45 LIMPSFIELD HANDICAP CHASE** (£3,246: 3m) (8)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 502 | 00/p1-p | **BRIGHT DREAM** (H Joel) J Gifford 9-11-7 | R Rowe |
| 504 | 423133 | **MANTON CASTLE** (D) (BF) (R Shaw) R Armytage 11-11-3 | NON-RUNNER |
| 507 | 223101 | **BOLD YEOMAN** (CD) (Mrs H Alwen) J Gifford 9-10-11 | NON-RUNNER |
| 509 | 432113 | **SAUNDERS** (CD) (T Clay) T Clay 11-10-8 | G Moore |
| 512 | 34344p | **SOLID ROCK** (R Cottle) D Barons 9-10-5 | H Davies |
| 513 | /pp-4p4 | **DONJILL** (D) (D Greig) D Greig 11-10-0 | – |
| 515 | 121222 | **BAYHAM SIR VARDON** (D) (BF) (G Graham) G Graham 11-10-0 | R Goldstein |
| 517 | 0pr143 | **GRAIGUENAMANAGH** (J Hughes) Miss L Bower 10-10-0 | R Rowell |

● Manton Castle, Bold Yeoman run 2.0 Chepstow

1984: Special Cargo 11-11-11 W Smith (5-2) F Wisheyn 8 ran.

15-8 Saunders, 11-4 Bayham Sir Vardon, 9-2 Solid Rock, 6 Bright Dream, 10 Graiguenamanagh, 12 Donjill.

**4.15 BIC RAZOR NOVICE HURDLE** (Div II: £548: 2m) (14)

| | | | |
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| 601 | p011 | **POLAR STAR** (CD) (R Kersiake) M Pipe 5-11-12 | R Dennis 4 |
| 606 | 2-04316 | **SUPER GRASS** (D) (BF) (Mrs M Michael) S Mellor 6-11-7 | Mr D Gray |
| 608 | 00-3002 | **BUNTER** (F Crouch) A Moore 7-11-2 | G Moore |
| 609 | 042404 | **DRAGON PALACE** (B) (D Winfield) D Elsworth 7-11-2 | C Brown |
| 610 | | **EVEN BANKER** (Miss A Whitfield) O Sherwood 6-11-2 | C Cox |
| 611 | 0pp-9 | **MIANALCO** (T King) W King 6-11-2 | Mr S Sherwood |
| 613 | 0- | **SENTRY DUTY** (C Nash) G Nash 8-11-2 | – |
| 615 | 0004- | **COYOR** (B Chambers) R Blakeney 5-11-0 | S Shilston |
| 618 | | **HOPEFUL KYBO** (I Kerman) J Gifford 5-11-0 | J Francome |
| 620 | | **KAMADEE** (Mrs P Foul) F Winter 5-11-0 | R Campbell 4 |
| 628 | | **STRATFORD PLACE** (M O'Halloran) M O'Halloran 5-11-0 | R Campbell 4 |
| 629 | 00/0p-p | **YANKEE DOODLE** (Mrs B Gibbins) D Barons 5-11-0 | H Davies |
| 630 | 3-p | **FOR VALOUR** (M Keegan) M Keegan 5-10-9 | J Akehurst |
| 631 | 0p | **GAY RHYTHM** (R Till) D Elsworth 5-10-9 | R Arnott 4 |

1984: Hazy Sunset 7-11-2 J Francome (8-13 fav) F Winter 11 ran.

9-4 Polar Star, 3 Kamadee, 4 Bunter, 5 Super Grass, 8 Dragon Palace, 10 Stratford Place 16 others.




### Today's Point-to-Point

Cambiddgeshire, Horseheath nr Linton (12.30); Cottesmore, Garthorpe nr Melton Mowbray, (1.0); Dart Vale & Haldon, Bowden Pitters nr Totnes (2.0); Flint & Denbigh, Eton Hall nr Chester (12.30); Golden Valley, The Weston, Bredwardine nr Hay-on-Wye (12.30); Heydon, Downhill nr Corbridge (1.0); Hoddesdon, Dalton Park nr Beverley (2.0); New Forest Buckhounds, Larkhill nr Amesbury (1.0); Quantock Staghounds, Witton nr Watchet (1.30); Ticklash, Dalling nr Maidstone (12.30); Tibyshire, Lydstep nr Tenby 12.30.

● The Tote enjoyed a record total turnover of £1,644,898 for the three-day Cheltenham Festival, an increase of 6.9% on last year. There was also a record win pool of £87,337 for the Gold Cup and best-ever placepot pool of £26,275, also on the final day.

## NEWCASTLE (ITV)

*[Televised: 2.0, 2.30]*

GOING: good

**2.0 I T M HANDICAP HURDLE** (£4,019: 2m 4f) (11 runners)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 1100211 | **EBORACUM** (CD) (Mrs A Harker) B Wilkinson 7-12-1 (8 ex) | Mr G Harker 4 |
| 2 | b24000 | **MR DENETOP** (D) (F Musgrave) F Musgrave 7-11-10 | Mr P J Dun |
| 5 | 0d1013 | **CARNEADES** (CD) (Timeform Social Club) M H Easterby 5-11-1 | J O'Neill |
| 6 | 102-000 | **SOLDBY** (D) (G Leatham) M H Easterby 5-10-12 | A Brown |
| 7 | 0011p0 | **BONNY GOLD** (D) (Mrs C Postlethwaite) Mrs C Postlethwaite 7-10-12 | P A Charlton |
| 9 | 220321 | **MICK'S STAR** (Ld Belper) M W Easterby 5-10-11 | P Tuck |
| 11 | 000-f02 | **DUNCOMBE PRINCE** (J Burgess) J Jefferson 6-10-8 | N Doughty |
| 12 | 0d111-0 | **LIGHT TRAVELLER** (A Duffield) M Madgwick 5-10-7 | A Stringer |
| 13 | 1p4-000 | **AMANTISS** (C) (J Hanson) J Hanson 7-10-5 | P A Farrell 7 |
| 14 | 101320 | **ROMAN DUSK** (D) (W Lockey) J Charlton 5-10-4 | C Grant |
| 16 | 13240 | **PRINCE SANTIAGO** (D) (R Baker) Denys Smith 6-10-0 | C Grant |

1984: No corresponding race

2 Duncombe Prince, 4 Carneades, 5 Mick's Star, 6 Eboracum, 8 Mr Denetop, 10 Prince Santiago, 12 Light Traveller, 14 others.

FORM: **EBORACUM** (11-7) beat **DUNCOMBE PRINCE** (10-10) 1½l her (2m 6f h'cap hdle, £3,817, good Mar 9, 9 ran). **CARNEADES** (10-9) 3½l 3rd of 10 to Comedy Fair (11-0) at Haydock (2m h'cap hdle, £1,780, good to soft, Mar 2); previously (10-2) beat **MICKS STAR** (10-0) ¾l at Wetherby (2m 4f h'cap hdle, £2,187, good to soft, Feb 2, 15 ran) with **EBORACUM** (11-9) 11th. **MICKS STAR** last time out (10-0) beat Wye Lea (10-1) 4l at Nottingham (3m h'cap hdle, £3,360, good, Feb 26, 10 ran). **LIGHT TRAVELLER** (10-12) 18l 6th of 11 to Bandelero (11-2) at Newbury (2m 4f hdle, £2,708, good, Nov 7).
Selection: **DUNCOMBE PRINCE.**

### Newcastle selections

By Mandarin

2.0 Bonny Gold. 2.30 Newlife Connection. 3.0 Golden Fancy. 3.30 Target Man. 4.0 Peaty Sandy. 4.30 TOGG (nap).

**2.30 BMW SERIES NOVICE CHASE** (Qualifier: £3,973: 3m) (13)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 00-0141 | **BINGE** (J Aynsley) J Aynsley 9-11-10 | Mr J Walton |
| 2 | 1-03111 | **NEWLIFE CONNECTION** (B) (D McMillan) W A Stephenson 6-11-10 | R Lamb |
| 3 | 1001u2 | **CHARLES DUKE** (J Morrison) G Richards 8-11-6 | N Doughty |
| 6 | 430/030 | **JIMMY MARTIN** (J Kennelly) Mrs M Dickinson 8-11-6 | Mr R J Beggan |
| 7 | p-4p0pp | **KERAGE** (N Chamberlain) N Chamberlain 7-11-6 | S Keightley |
| 8 | pp22p1 | **KING'S BRIG** (D) (S Hartley) G Richards 9-11-6 | D Coakley |
| 10 | 222141 | **ON LEAVE** (R Craze) A Scott 8-11-6 | C Grant |
| 11 | 2/p-300 | **PRINCE BAI** (B) (K Hunt) R Champion 9-11-6 | D Browne |
| 12 | p/0-33f | **RUBESCO** (J Aynsley) J Aynsley 11-11-6 | B Storey |
| 13 | 2-u0p33 | **WELLHILL** (W Forster) W Forster 10-11-6 | A Stringer |
| 15 | f0f | **GAMEKOOD** (S Mason) Mrs C Dalton 7-11-1 | C Pimlott |
| 16 | 40-34b1 | **MISS MAYO** (Mrs R Carr) C Parker 8-11-1 | M Barnes |
| 18 | 1-0013u | **SOLARES** (BF) (J Berry) J Berry 5-10-10 | P Tuck |

1984: No corresponding race

3 Newlife Connection, 7-2 Binge, 4 Solares, 5 Jimmy Martin, 7 On Leave, 10 Charles Duke, 12 King's Brig, 14 Prince Bai, 18 others.

FORM: **Binge** (11-6) beat **Singe** long Sam (11-12) 4l at Kelso (2m 6f Nov ch, £3,277, good to soft, Feb 26, 15 ran) with **SOLARES** (11-0) 3l away 3rd, **ON LEAVE** (11-5) further 3l back in 4th; **RUBESCO** (11-5) fell and **CHARLES DUKE** (11-6) unseated rider. **NEWLIFE CONNECTION** (12-2) 10l at Doncaster (2m Nov ch, £1,371, firm, Mar 9, 7 ran; also won earlier over 3m 1f. **MISS MAYO** (10-12) beat **CHARLES DUKE** (11-9) 5l at Ayr (3m Nov ch, £1,232, good Mar 11, 8 ran). **KINGS BRIG** (11-10) beat Gainsay (12-3) 4l at Haydock (3m Nov ch, £2,217, good to soft, Mar 2, 15 ran) when **MISS MAYO** was brought down. **ON LEAVE** (11-5) was left clear at last when berating Timeless Flight (11-0) 25l at Carlisle (2m 4f, Nov ch, £939, good to soft, Mar 8, 12 ran).
SELECTION: **Newlife Connection.**

**3.0 GREAT LIME HANDICAP CHASE** (£1,592: 2m 120yd) (8)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | f301-44 | **NO BOMBS** (BF) (Snailwell Stud) M H Easterby 10-11-10 | J J O'Neill |
| 2 | 1f1112 | **THE DIVIDER** (BF) (J Aitken) Mrs T Calder 7-10-7 | T G Dun |
| 3 | 1-12222 | **GOLDEN FANCY** (Northumbria Leisure) I Vickers 8-10-0 | P Tuck |
| 4 | p40f10- | **OUTLAW MAN** (C Taylor) C B Taylor 11-10-0 | C Grant |
| 5 | 321022 | **BIRSBY** (Exors R McDonald) R McDonald 11-10-0 | P A Farrell 7 |
| 7 | 0p230f | **STRAIGHT DOWN** (S Green) N Crump 8-10-0 | C Hawkins |
| 8 | 0d3-440 | **VILLIERSTOWN** (J Hanson) J Hanson 8-10-0 | Mr R J Beggan |
| 9 | 411s4p | **SUPER SOLO** (A M Davidson) T Craig 9-10-0 | S Charlton |

1984: Sea Merchant 7-11-10 R Lamb (11-4) W A Stephenson 8 ran

11-4 Golden Fancy, 7-2 The Divider, 4 No Bombs, 6 Birsby, Straight Down, 8 Outlaw Man, 12 Villierstown, 14 others.

**3.30 BELFORD NOVICE HURDLE** (Div I: £944: 2m 120yd) (9)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 4 | 0-f3100 | **TARGET MAN** (CD) (M Britton Ltd) W A Stephenson 5-11-7 | M Maguire 4 |
| 11 | 3-22304 | **MR PERFECT** (Mrs J Musgrave) B Wilkinson 6-11-2 | Mr G Harker 4 |
| 12 | 0-000 | **PAY ZONE** (J Hanson) J Hanson 5-11-2 | C Pimlott |
| 14 | 0/430-0 | **SCOTTISH AIR** (T Jurdzics) W A Stephenson 8-11-2 | R Lamb |
| 16 | 01 | **PETER MARTIN** (F Lee) F Lee 4-10-13 | S Holland |
| 18 | 302-400 | **CORRELEK** (G Fairbairn) G Fairbairn 8-10-11 | P A Charlton |
| 19 | p0/p- | **TUDOR DREAM** (J Clarkson) T Craig 7-10-11 | M Ennis |
| 20 | | **AIREDALE TRAVEL** (S Padgett) M W Easterby 4-10-8 | P Tuck |
| 21 | 00 | **HABAT'S MELODY** (M Vaughan) I Vickers 4-10-8 | S Keightley |

1984: High Renown 4-10-13 R Lamb (5-4 fav) T Barron 8 ran

5-2 Peter Martin, 3 Mr Perfect, 4 Target Man, 6 Airedale Travel, 8 Correlek, 12 Habat's Melody, 14 others.

**4.0 MATFEN HANDICAP CHASE** (£3,132: 3m) (12)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 210-033 | **DON'T FORGET** (J Hanson) J Hanson 11-11-10 | C Pimlott |
| 2 | p-31002 | **PEATY SANDY** (CD) (Miss H Hamilton) Miss H Hamilton 11-11-9 | Mr A Dudgeon 4 |
| 3 | /110-01 | **FINAL ARGUMENT** (C,D) (G Bartholomew) G Richards 9-11-8 (5 ex) | D Coakley |
| 4 | 011112-0 | **GOOD CRACK** (CD) (J Hanson) J Hanson 8-11-8 | Mr R J Beggan |
| 5 | 21111s | **BLUE REEF** (D) (E Collingwood-Cameron) W A Stephenson 10-11-2 | Mr P J Dun |
| 6 | 122004 | **WHY FORGET** (CD) (Robert S Bell) W A Stephenson 9-10-11 | R Lamb |
| 8 | 00-p02p | **CANTON** (S Green) N Crump 11-10-4 | D Wilkinson |
| 9 | f4-000p | **BUSH CLOSE** (CD) (Mrs V Jackson) J Alder 9-10-2 | Mrs V Jackson 4 |
| 10 | f3f413 | **POWDER HORN** (D)(BF) (J Barr) Mrs J Barr 8-10-2 | – |
| 11 | 1p021s | **JOCKAMBEL** (B)(CD) (D Thomson) D Thomson 9-10-0 | D Browne |
| 14 | 212f02 | **STRAWHILL** (D) (Mrs L Ford) E Alston 10-10-0 | M Alston 7 |
| 15 | 3013p-3 | **BALLYICE** (D) (P Simpson) Wharton 10-10-0 | J O'Neill |

1984: Hardy Lad 7-10-8 R O'Leary (8-1) B Wilkinson 10 ran

9-4 Final Argument, 3 Blue Reef, 4 Peaty Sandy, 11-2 Why Forget, 8 Powder Horn, 10 Jockambel, 14 others.

**4.30 BELFORD NOVICE HURDLE** (Div II: £916: 2m 120yd) (11)

| | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 00144 | **CHIPCHASE** (A Taylor) B Wilkinson 5-11-7 | Mr G Harker 4 |
| 2 | 110422 | **CONNAUGHT QUEEN** (Mrs G Barry) G Richards 5-11-7 | N Doughty |
| 4 | 001 | **TOGG** (Mrs M Saville-Deane) Mrs C Postlethwaite 7-11-7 | P A Charlton |
| 6 | 00030 | **BELLY TOBIN** (T O'Sullivan) Miss Z Green 5-11-2 | J Goulding |
| 8 | 0000 | **CASTLE OFFICIAL** (J Hanson) J Hanson 7-11-2 | C Pimlott |
| 9 | 0 | **GUSSBOROUGH TOWN** (A Duffield) G Calvert 5-11-2 | A Stringer |
| 10 | 00 | **NORWHISTLE** (A M Davidson) T Craig 5-11-2 | M Ennis |
| 17 | 1b200 | **BOHEMOND** (Ld Lambton) Denys Smith 4-10-13 | C Grant |
| 13 | 0p-0040 | **CHEENY'S BRIG** (A Mactaggart) A Mactaggart 5-10-11 | P Tuck |
| 14 | 0021 | **HALF ASLEEP** (N Hetherton) W Easey 4-10-8 | M Hill 7 |
| 18 | 24 | **WATER CANNON** (BF) (F Lee) F Lee 4-10-8 | S Holland |

1984: Snowy Reef 4-10-8 T Dun (8-1) R Peacock 8 ran

6-4 Togg, 5-2 Connaught Queen, 5 Half Asleep, 8 Water Cannon, 12 Chipchase, 16 others.

### Fakenham results

● Bob Champion took the training honours at Fakenham yesterday when landing a 17-1 double with Turn Blue and Abo Ace. Turn Blue, a four-lenght winner from Rhythm Stick in the Curry and Pennick Novices' Chase, was Champions' first success as a trainer at the Norfolk course.

2.15 (2m 80yd hdle) 1. ROCKY'S GAL (K Towend, 9-1); 2. Tasleader (S Earle, 5-2 fav); 3. Camerin (Mr A Howie, 10-1). ALSO RAN: Princess Possum, 7 Quality Chorister, Just Autumn (6th), 2 Brother Parisian, 8 Alcinous (PU), 12 Nasr (4th), 16 Mischievous Jack, 20 Street Level (5th), 25 Kirk Bridge, 33 Emmetts Providence, Summerhill Gold

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## BIRTHS

**BRADLEY** – On 10th March 1985 to Helen (nee Middleton) and Andrew, – a son James Ewan Melrose. Special thanks to staff of Treliske Hospital Truro.

**CHUDLEY.** – On March 14, at the West London Hospital to Michelle (nee Jordan) and Tim a Son, Matthew William.

**FARMAR** – On March 14th at Queen Charlotte's Hospital to Marilyn and Mark, a son Richard Mark.

**HUXLEY.** – On March 15th, to Katherine (nee Bromiley) and Robert Vivian – a son (Paul Timothy), a brother for Nicola and Emma.

**JAMIESON.** – On Wednesday, March 13, at St Albans Hospital to Judi, wife of Peter, a son Sasha.

**JENNINGS.** – On March 11th to Pamela (nee Cramer) and James – a son (David John).

**KENNEDY.** – On March 12, to Virginia (née Hodson) and Donald, two daughters Frances and Eleanor.

**RILEY.** On 6th March at The West London Hospital to Dorit (née Irving) and Alasdair, a beautiful daughter, Tessa Jane.

**RILEY** – On March 10th to Lucinda (née Fogden) and Martyn a son, Henry Timothy (Tim) of Beckhive.

**SAYERD** – On March 13 at the Westminster Hospital, to Nicola Anne (ne Tower) and Jonathan, a son, Edward Charles.

**WILSON.** – On March 9th, in London, to Clare and Peter – a second son (Timothy Quentin.

**WINEGARTEN** on February 6th to Beryl, and Christopher, a son, Stuart, a brother for James and Alastair.

**ZIEGLER** - on March 15th to Sarah and William a daughter.

## BIRTHDAYS

**COLLIER.** Beryl many happy returns of the day darling. All my love. Michael.

**WESTON-SMART, SUSAN.** They say nobody loves a fairy when she's 40 but they are wrong. You are still at the top of hers. Happy birthday love from Fr Howard. Mum and Dad.

## MARRIAGES

**MAR:VINCENT.** – In Melbourne, Australia, on Feb 27. Josie Mar. of Moala, Fiji, to Sarah Vincent of Cheltenham, Glos.

## DEATHS

**ARTHUR.** – On March 13, aged 85 years at Minster Court, Canterbury. Ada Alice beloved wife of the late Wing Commander Cyril Arthur and much loved mum, great-aunt and great great aunt and sister of Betty and many friends. Cremation at 3pm on Thursday March 19 at Easthampstead Park Crematorium, Nine Mile Ride, Wokingham. No flowers but donations please to R.A.F. Benevolent Fund, 67 Portland Place, London.

**BENNETT.** – On March 12, 1985. Willet in Nairobi Michael, husband of the late Tuffy and father of Caroline, Morris and Mark. The cremation has already taken place.

**BOOBYER.** – Dorothy of Riding Mill, Northumberland and Winscombe, Avon. Beloved wife of Dr G. H. Boobyer, peacefully (March 13th). Aged 84 years.

**CRUMP** – On March 14th 1985. Cyril Edward, dearly loved husband of Mowyla Ruth, widower of the late Minnie Crump. (nee Wightwick). Dear father of Clare and Piers. Loved father-in-law of Christopher and a dearly devoted grandfather. Service at Worthing Crematorium on Wednesday March 20th at 2pm. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to The MacMillan Service, King Edward VII Hospital, Midhurst, Sussex c/o H. D. Tyrie Ltd, 150 Broadwater Road, Worthing 34516.

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**NASH** – on March 13th suddenly but peacefully Eric Dick of Buxted, Sussex, aged 80. Much loved father of Michael and grandfather of Richard. Funeral at 12 noon, on Thursday March 21st at Uckfield Crematorium. Enquiries to Fuller & Sott. The Wakelyns, Uckfield 3241.

**PARKER, L. G.** – On March 11th in Sydney, Dearly loved husband of Alash, father of Robert, brother of Ivy. Formerly cellist BBC West of England Concert Orchestras and ABC.

**PERKINS** – On 4th March, 1985 in Cambridge, Mass. Professor Elliott Perkins ("Perk") beloved husband of Mary Frances (née Baker Wiltraham) Master Emeritus of Lowell House, Harvard University.

**PICARDA** – On 13th March 1985, in his 88th year, peacefully in his sleep Pierre Adrien Avocat à la Cour d'Appel de Paris, barrister of the Middle Temple. Croix de Guerre Legion de Honneur. Funeral private.

**SHEAD** – On March 14th at her home in Sussex, after a long illness borne with great courage, Ann in her 75th year. Author and former BBC producer. Cremation private.

**SHEPHEARD** - Suddenly on March 12th, Kenneth beloved son of Rex & Helen, dearly loved brother of Michael & Carolyn, will be greatly missed by family & friends. Funeral service at St Pauls, Wilton Place, Knightsbridge on Wednesday 20th March at 2 pm. followed by cremation. Flowers to Mathias, 215, Upper Richmond Rd, Putney by noon. Donations to Venice in Peril Fund, Kensington Palace Barracks, Kensington Church Street W8.

**SIMKASZKO** Right Reverend Bishop Matthew of Aspendus, peacefully on 13th March, aged 90 years. In St Mary Abbots Hospital. Mass on Friday 22nd March at 10.00 am followed by funeral service at 11.15 am at St Mary's Greek Orthodox Cathedral, 30S Camberwell New Road, SE5. Burial at 1.30 pm at Brompton cemetery.

**WAINWRIGHT.** – On March 13, Richard Bucke Wainright, A.F.C., aged 69, of 8, Weydown Court, Haslemere, "An eventful and much loved coloured life". Cremation at Guildford Crematorium on Wednesday March 20, at 12 noon. Flowers may be sent to Gould and Chapman Ltd, Grayshott, Hindhead, Surrey.

**WHITE** On March 14th, peacefully at home, Denis, dearly loved husband of Phyllida, father of Adrian and Anthony. Cremation private. Family flowers only. Donations if desired to Shirley Warren's Special Children's C[illegible] Research Appeal, Enquiries to R[illegible] Cremation 4848.

**WOOD** – 3 sep Wood

## MEMORIAL SERVICES

**STOBART** – A memorial service for Lt-Col George Stobart will be held in the DLI Chapel, Durham Cathedral, on Sunday April 14 at 12.30pm.

## IN MEMORIAM

**BRUCE** – remembering with love and sadness our dear Colin who left us on this day two long years ago.

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## Weekend television and radio programmes
## Summaries: Peter Dear and Peter Davalle

# Sunday

### BBC 1

6.45 **Open University.** Until 8.25.
8.30 **Roobarb,** told by Richard Briers (r). 8.35 **Battle of the Planets.** Animated science fiction adventures (r).
9.00 **Saturday SuperStore,** managed by Mike Read. The programme includes the result of the nationwide talent contest; footballer Frank Stapleton; Bobby Charlton coaching the worst football team; performances by Strawberry Switchblade and Bryan Adams. Plus, Paul Young. Virgin boss Richard Branson and the youngest sailor to complete a single handed crossing of the Atlantic, 17-year-old David Sandeman. 12.12 Weather.
12.15 **Grandstand,** introduced by Desmond Lynam. The line-up is: 12.20 **Football** focus with Bob Wilson; 12.50 **News** headlines; 12.55 **Boxing** from Granby Halls, Leicester: 1.25, 1.55 and 2.30 **Racing** from Chepstow; 1.40 and 2.10 **Hockey:** the Norwich Union Championship Finals; 2.45 **Rugby Preview;** 2.55 **Rugby Union:** England versus Scotland at Twickenham and highlights of the Wales and Ireland game in Cardiff; 4.40 Final score.
5.05 **News** with Moira Stuart. Weather. 5.15 Sport/Regional news.
5.20 **Doctor Who.** The second and final part of the adventure, Timelash (Ceefax).
6.05 **Jim'll Fix It.** Among those for whom Jimmy Savile makes dreams come true are an 11-year-old who reads the news with Sue Lawley and two nine-year-olds who have a romantic candlelit dinner.
6.40 **The Laughter Show** presented by Les Dennis and Dustin Gee. Their guests are comedian Peter Price and the clowning Black Abbotts.
7.15 **One by One.** Part 11 of the 12-episode series and Donald Turner has problems with a sick terrapin whose owner receives spirit messages a famous author (Ceefax).
7.05 **Dynasty.** Fallon's happiest day of her life turns into a disaster, while Kirby tries to kill Alexis (Ceefax).
8.50 **Bergerac.** A party guest of rock star Boy Buckley falls overboard from a yacht and drowns. Statements from witnesses point to an accident but Bergerac is convinced that it was murder (Ceefax) (r).
9.45 **News** and sport. With Moira Stuart. Weather.
10.00 **Film: Three Days of the Condor** (1975) starring Robert Redford, Faye Dunaway, Cliff Robertson and Max Von Sydow. Secret Service adventure with Redford in the role of Turner, a lowly CIA agent who is the sole survivor when members of a CIA research branch are savagely murdered. On the run from the killers in New York he appeals for help to his Agency chief only to discover that there is a traitor in the department. Directed by Sydney Pollack.
11.55 **Weather.**

### TV-am

6.15 **Good Morning Britain,** presented by Henry Kelly, begins with a cartoon. News at 6.30, 7.00 and 8.00; a discussion on photography at 6.35; sport at 7.10 and 7.50; an oyster opening race at 7.30; The guests included Pam Ayres and Frank Carson.
8.30 **The Wide Awake Club.**

### ITV/LONDON

9.25 **LWT Information.** 9.30 **Cartoon Time.** 9.35 **Scooby, Scrappy and Yabba Doo.** Cartoon series. 10.00 **No 73.** Entertainment for the young. 11.20 **The Fall Guy.** Another adventure for the stunt-man turned bounty hunter, Colt Seavers.
12.15 **World of Sport** introduced by Steve Rider. The line-up is: 12.20 **World Cup Ski-ing:** the Men's Downhill from Aspen and the Women's Downhill from Sunshine, Alberta; 12.45 **News;** 12.50 **On the Ball;** 1.20 **Ice Speedway:** the World Individual Final from Assen; 1.40 **The ITV Five:** the 1.45, 2.15 and 2.45 from Lingfield and the 2.00 and 2.30 from Newcastle; 3.00 **Heavyweight Boxing:** from the Riviera Hotel, Las Vegas. Michael Dokes v Randall Cobb and 'Bonecrusher' Smith against Tony Tubbs. 3.45 **Half-time** scores and reports; 4.00 **Wrestling:** two bouts from Warrington; 4.45 Results.
5.00 **News.** 5.05 **Blockbusters.**
5.35 **Robin of Sherwood.** Episode two of the six-part series and the not-so-merry-men anxiously await the return of the Sheriff to the castle as do a Jewish moneylender and his daughter (Oracle).
6.40 **The Fame Game.** Talent show presented by Tim Brooke-Taylor with Stan Boardman.
7.20 **All Star Secrets.** Michael Parkinson's guests are Christopher Biggins, William Franklyn, Lulu, Kenneth Williams and Barbara Windsor (Oracle).
7.50 **The Price is Right.** Game show presented by Leslie Crowther.
8.50 **News** and sport.
9.05 **Aspel and Company.** Michael Aspel's guests are Telly Savalas, Felicity Kendall and Mike Yarwood.
9.50 **Boxing.** Pat Cowdell defends his European superfeatherweight title against Carlos Hernandez of Spain at the Aston Villa Leisure Centre; and Larry Holmes defends his World Heavyweight title for the last time – he says. His opponent is David Bey.
11.05 **London news** headlines followed by **Auf Wiedersehen, Pet.** Dennis is on the look out for a retreat so that he can spend some time alone with his girlfriend (r) (Oracle).
12.05 **The Clancy Brothers and Tommy Makem.** A reunion concert from the Ulster Hall in Belfast.
1.05 **New from London.** The Moodists in concert.
2.05 **Night Thoughts.**



John Reed: The Mikado centenary concert (Radio 2, 7.30 pm). And, right, Marlon Brando: Viva Zapata (Channel 4, 1.55 pm)

### BBC 2

6.25 **Open University.** Until 3.10
3.10 **Film: Radio Parade of 1935** (black and white and colour) (1934) starring Will Hay and Clifford Mollison. Comedy about an ailing radio station. Directed by Arthur Woods.
4.40 **Film: Come Blow Your Horn** (1963) starring Frank Sinatra, Tony Bill and Lee J Cobb. A comedy, based on a play by Neil Simon, about a playboy bachelor who welcomes his kid brother to his apartment only to regret it when the younger man seems to be more successful in attracting the ladies. Directed by Bud Yorkin.
6.30 **The Sky at Night.** Patrick Moore with news of when and where to observe Halley's Comet (r).
6.50 **News** and sport. Weather.
7.05 **France Actuelle.** The final film of the series and French people talk about themselves (subtitled) (r).
7.30 **Rugby Special.** Highlights of this afternoon's matches between England and Scotland and Wales and Ireland.
8.35 **Music from the Northern Lands.** The BBC Welsh Symphony Orchestra, leader Desmond Bradley, conductor Andrew Davis, in a concert of Russian and Finnish music – Borodin's Polovtsian Dances, Shostakovich's Piano Concerto No 2, Op 10 (the soloist is John Lill) and Sibelius's Symphony No 2 in d.
10.00 **Blott on the Landscape.** The final episode and Blott's efforts at preventing the building of the motorway defy even a platoon of the SAS sent to winkle Blott out of the Lodge (r) (Ceefax).
10.55 **Harty Goes to... Dublin** where, tonight, in the second of three programmes shown on consecutive nights, Russell Harty watches Bob Geldof.
11.25 **Film: November Night** (1978). Andrzej Wajda's version of a famous Polish patriotic verse drama in which figures from Greek mythology play alongside a group of Polish soldiers plotting in the Warsaw of 1830 the overthrow of the occupying Russian. With Jan Nowicki and Jerzy Stuhr (English subtitles). Ends at 1.20.

### CHANNEL 4

1.05 **Everybody Here.** (r).
1.30 **The Making of Britain.** Dr John Post examines the medieval origins of our attitudes to law and order.
1.55 **Film: Viva Zapata!** (1952) starring Marlon Brando, Jean Peters and Anthony Quinn. A biography of the celebrated Mexican revolutionary, Emiliano Zapata. Directed by Elia Kazan.
4.00 **Film: The Invisible Menace*** (1938) starring Boris Karloff and Marie Wilson. Karloff plays a civilian supervising construction work on a United States Army island establishment who becomes the chief suspect when the body of a murdered officer is discovered. Directed by John Farrow.
5.05 **Brookside.** (r).
6.00 **The Other Side of the Tracks.** Record producer Richard Perry is interviewed by Paul Gambaccini.
7.00 **News** summary and weather followed by **Union World** in which Anne Lester reports from the United States and Canada on disturbing evidence emerging from statistics showing the number of deformed births by women who used VDTs while working when pregnant (postponed from last Saturday).
7.30 **Credo.** John Stapleton talks to the Bishop of Durham, the Rt Rev David Jenkins, about the church's alternative economic policies to those of the Government.
8.30 **My World and Welcome to It.** Starring William Windom as cartoonist and writer John Monroe whose flights of fancy lead him to mix his cartoon characters with real people. Based on the writings of James Thurber.
9.00 **Edward Heath: the Man Who Went to the Country.** Peter Williams talks to the former Conservative prime minister.
10.00 **Hill Street Blues.** Fay Furillo risks perjuring herself when she presses a young woman to bring charges against her violent lover.
10.55 **Kiss Me Deadly*** (1955) starring Ralph Meeker, Albert Dekker and Paul Stewart. A Mike Hammer mystery. Directed by Robert Aldrich.
12.50 **Closedown.**

### BBC 1

6.45 **Open University.** Until 8.50.
8.55 **The Flumps.** (r). 9.10 **Taking Stock.** Part one of a series on being aged 50 in the Eighties (r). 9.35 **Electronic Office.** The last programme of the series examines what is being done to "humanise" today's technology (r).
10.00 **Asian Magazine.** 10.30 **Switch on to English.** Learning the language by watching popular television programmes. 10.55 **Greek Language and People.** Part one: ordering drinks (r).
11.20 **Lent Service** from the chapel of Wesley College, Bristol. 12.05 **Mr Smith's Indoor Garden.** Part four: plants from pips, seeds and tops (r). 12.30 **Farming.** 12.53 **Weather.** 12.55 **Magic Roundabout** (r).
1.00 **This Week Next Week,** presented by David Dimbleby. The guests are John Selwyn Gummer, John Smith and Ian Wrigglesworth.
2.00 **EastEnders.** (r) (Ceefax).
3.00 **Dad's Army.** Captain Mainwaring and his men go away to a week-end camp and the captain decides that the officers should be segregated from the other ranks (r).
3.35 **Some Mothers Do 'Av 'Em.** Betty is five months into her pregnancy and she persuades Frank that he should attend a fathers' class (r).
4.05 **Top Gear** includes William Woollard testing the Sinclair C5 and its rivals (r).
4.35 **Bonanza.** The Younger brothers return after serving a 12-year jail sentence.
5.25 **The Pickwick Papers.** Part 11 (of 12) and Mr Pickwick is shocked by what he sees in Fleet Prison (Ceefax).
5.55 **Holiday.** Anne Gregg reports from Norway; John Carter from Istanbul; and Cliff Michelmore from the more prosaic Leeds and Liverpool Canal.
6.30 **News** with Moira Stuart. Weather.
6.40 **Songs of Praise** from Downpatrick parish church (Ceefax).
7.15 **Last of the Summer Wine.** The elderly trio volunteer to run Ivy's cafe when she decides to have a day off. Last in the series (Ceefax).
7.45 **Juliet Bravo.** Inspector Longton and a colleague are held at gunpoint in her office (Ceefax) (r).
8.35 **Mastermind.** The specialist subjects are: the poetry of John Donne; BBC radio comedy series from 1950; the life and works of Carl Neilsen; and European history, 1815-1900.
9.05 **News** with Moira Stuart. Weather.
9.20 **That's Life.** Consumer affairs programme.
10.05 **The Rock Gospel Show** includes Steve Taylor in concert in California.
10.40 **Politics of Pressure.** The final programme of the series about the art of lobbying Parliament.
11.05 **International Darts.** Wales against England.
11.55 **Weather.**

### TV-am

6.55 **Good Morning Britain,** presented by David Frost; 7.02 Rub-a-Dub-Tub for the very young; news at 8.00; cartoon at 8.02; John Wells reviews the newspapers at 8.40; Mother's Day messages at 8.50; David Frost interview at 9.02.

### ITV/LONDON

9.25 **LWT Information.** 9.30 **Crafts Made Simple.** Plasticine modelling (r). 10.00 **Morning Worship** from the Chapel of Trinity and All Saints College, Horsforth, near Leeds. 10.45 **Madonna and Child.** Oliver Hunkin examines some of the world's finest studies of young motherhood.
11.00 **Link.** Niam McAleer spends a day with multiple sclerosis sufferer, Maureen Hutchings; and Rosalie Wilkins talks to Valerie Lang who has cerebral palsy. 11.30 **Coping.** How 20-year-old Paul Ford copes with unemployment.
12.00 **Weekend World.** Brian Walden examines the struggle over education that lies behind the teachers' dispute. 1.00 **Police Five.**
1.15 **The Big Match.** Highlights from two First Division games.
2.00 **Encounter.** The Rev Professor Moelwyn Merchant argues that the Christian Church needs modern images by contemporary artists to replace the traditional statuary.
2.30 **London news** headlines followed by **The Smurfs.**
2.45 **Film: Missing Children: A Mother's Story** (1982). A made-for-television drama about an illiterate wife, deserted by her husband and left to cope by herself with three young children. Directed by Dick Lowry.
4.30 **Supergran.** (Oracle).
5.00 **Bullseye.** Darts and general knowledge game.
5.30 **Hart to Hart.** The millionaire and his wife are held at gunpoint by a murderer.
6.30 **News.**
6.40 **Highway.** Sir Harry Secombe is on Station Island, in the middle of Lough Derg.
7.15 **The Practice.** Drama serial set in a modern Health Centre in the north of England (Oracle).
7.45 **Game for a Laugh.**
8.45 **Cover Her Face.** Episode five of the six-part drama starring Roy Marsden as Adam Dalgliesh, investigating the murder of Sally Jupp (Oracle).
9.45 **News.**
10.00 **Spitting Image.** Topical satire mouthed by clever but wicked latex models.
10.30 **The South Bank Show.** The Second Stride dance company perform Siobhan Davies's Silent Partners.
11.30 **London news** headlines followed by **Breadline Britain** which examines the reasons why, despite the welfare state, there are still many people living in poverty (r).
12.25 **Hardcastle and McCormick** investigate unsolved crimes committed some time ago.
1.20 **Night Thoughts.**



Juliet Fischer and Michelle Smith dance in Siobhan Davies's ballet Silent Partners: South Bank Show (ITV, 10.30 pm)

### BBC 2

6.25 **Open University.** Until 1.55.
1.55 **International Darts.** Wales against England.
2.25 **Horizon: Eurekaaargh!** The prizes and the pitfalls for the private inventor (r).
3.15 **The Great Art Collection.** The final programme of the series and Edward Mullins comments on Watteau's The Island of Cythera and Boucher's Girl on the Couch; Anita Brookner describes Vigee-Lebrun's Self-Portrait with her Daughter.
3.45 **Bridge Club.** Improve your game with Jeremy Flint and members of the Bristol Bridge Club.
4.10 **Master Photographers.** Peter Adam with the 90-year-old Jacques-Henri Lartigue, still taking pictures for French Vogue, who began his life long obsession with the camera more than 80 years ago (r).
4.45 **International Darts.** Further coverage from St David's Hall, Cardiff, of the game between Wales and England.
6.00 **News Review.** (subtitled).
6.30 **The Money Programme** includes an item on Northern Dancer, the American horse that commands a million dollar stud fee.
7.15 **In Search of the Trojan War.** Part four of Michael Wood's investigations into whether or not Homer's famous story was fact or fiction examines the role of Helen – did she really exist and if so was she actually carried off by the love-lorn Trojan prince, Paris?
8.15 **Favourite Things.** Roy Plomley in conversation with Ian Botham.
8.45 **Harty Goes to . . . Dublin** where he spends St Patrick's night in the company of a group of Irish priests.
9.15 **Did You See . . .?** The Secret State, Television and Wogan are discussed by Margaret Matheson, John Gau and Clive James.
10.05 **The Executioner's Song.** Part one of a two-episode drama based on Norman Mailer's biography of Gary Gilmore. The story begins in 1976 when Gilmour is released on parole from a federal prison and joins his cousin in at town in Ohio where he falls in love with a 19-year-old mother of two, Nicole Baker. (Part two next Sunday). Ends at 11.45.

### CHANNEL 4

1.05 **Irish Angle.** Emyr Daniel in conversation with the Roman Catholic primate of All Ireland Cardinal Tomas O'Fiaich.
1.30 **Face the Press.** Eddy Shah, chairman of the Messenger Newspaper Group, is questioned by Sue Cameron of The Financial Times and Robert Taylor of The Observer.
2.00 **A Question of Economics.** Part ten examines whether or not full employment can ever again be a reality.
2.25 **Film: Jana Aranya (The Middle Man)*** (1975). Drama about a young Indian man from the middle classes who sets himself up as a middle-man and soon learns to use the twin evils of bribery and corruption. Bengali dialogue with English subtitles. Directed by Satyajit Ray.
4.50 **Dadarama: The Kiss.** (r).
5.00 **The Amateur Naturalist.** Gerald and Lee Durrell on a photographic safari in the Umfolozi game reserve (r).
5.30 **News** summary and weather followed by **The Business Programme.** An examination of the methods used by both large and small companies to try and make their voices heard at Westminster in the hope of influencing the Budget.
6.15 **Basketball.** Worthing against Solent. The winners of this game go to Wembley.
7.15 **Fragile Earth.** A documentary about the Pantanal in south-west Brazil, one of the richest wetlands in the world (r).
8.20 **Super Troupers.** The salute to old-time music hall includes Bill Pertwee as Max Miller.
9.20 **Guitarra!** Part one of an eight-programme history of the Spanish guitar.
9.50 **Clint Eastwood** talks to former Edinburgh Film Festival director, Lynda Miles.
10.35 **City General.** Part five of the oral history of Stoke's City General Hospital.
11.10 **Film: The Lodger*** (1944) starring Laird Cregar and Merle Oberon. Thriller about a mysterious character who takes lodgings in London's Whitechapel area at the time Jack the Ripper begins to become a household name. Directed by John Brahm.
12.45 **Closedown.**

### Radio 4

On long wave. † also VHF stereo.
5.55 **Shipping.** 6.00 **News Briefing:** Weather. 6.10 Prelude. 6.30 News; Farming. 6.50 Prayer. 6.55 Weather; Travel.
7.00 **News.** 7.10 Today's Papers. 7.15 On Your Farm. 7.45 In Perspective. 7.50 Down to Earth. 7.55 Weather; Travel.
8.00 **News.** 8.10 Today's Papers. 8.15 Sport on 4. 8.48 Yesterday in Parliament. 8.57 Weather; Travel.
9.00 **News.**
9.05 **Breakaway** (ferry routes to France).
9.50 **News Stand.** Jonathan Power's review of the weekly magazines.
10.05 **The Week in Westminster.** With Peter Riddell.
10.30 **Pick of the Week.**†
11.30 **From Our Own Correspondent.**
12.00 **News; Money Box.**
12.27 **Crime Wave at Blandings** (2).†
1.00 **News.**
1.10 **Any Questions?** from Watford, Hertfordshire. With Dr John Rae, Sally Oppenheim MP, John Harvey-Jones and Gwyneth Dunwoody MP (r). 1.55 **Shipping.**
2.00 **News; The Afternoon Play.** 'The Blue Dress' by William Trevor. With David Burke (r).
3.00 **News; Funny You Should Sing That** with Jeremy Nicholas.
3.30 **Gorilla.** Narrated by David Attenborough.
4.15 **Making Noise about Life.** An anthropologist's life. With Alfred Marks.
4.45 **Bolshoi Tystinsky No 26:** 'Aristotle Lives Again' (r).
5.00 **Wildlife.**†
5.25 **Week Ending.** Satirical review.
5.50 **Shipping.** 5.55 **Weather; Travel.**
6.00 **News;** incl. Sports Round-up.
6.25 **Desert Island Discs.** Castaway: artist Gordon Beningfield.
7.15 **Stop the Week** with Robert Robinson, and Instant Sunshine.
7.45 **Baker's Dozen** with Richard Baker.
8.30 **Saturday-Night Theatre.** 'Small-Town Girl' by Graeme Kent. With Nancy Gair. Comedy about amateur boxing, set in the US.†
10.00 **News.**
10.15 **Evening Service.**†
10.30 **Soundings.** Moral and religious matters.
11.00 **Science Now.**
11.30 **In One Ear.** Live comedy. 12.00-12.15 **News; Weather.** 12.33 **Shipping.**
VHF (available in England and S Wales only). Radio 4 vhf is as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel. 1.55-2.00pm Programme News. 5.50-5.55 Programme News.

### Radio 3

6.55 **Weather.** 7.00 **News.**
7.05 **Aubade:** Rossini's overture Thieving Magpie; Britten's Five Waltzes (played by David Willison, piano); Peterson-Berger's Romance; Rossini's La Passegiata: Ridiamo cantiamo che tutto sen va; Bernstein's Three episodes from On the Town; Tosti's Serenade; Castelnuovo's-Tedesco's Ninna nanna; Van Bree's Allegro for four string quartets; Turina's Rapsodia Sinfonica.† 9.00 **News.**
9.05 **Record Review:** with Paul Vaughan. Includes a consumer's guide to recordings of Rossini's Barber of Seville.†
10.15 **Stereo Release:** Mozart's Violin Concerto No 3 (the soloist is Frank Peter Zimmermann); Strauss' Horn Concerto No 1 (the soloist is Hermann Baumann).†
11.00 **Robert Mayer Concert:** BBC SO (under Seaman), with Martino Tirimo (piano). Dvorak's Slavonic Dances opus 46 Nos 8 and opus 72 No 2; Tippett's Symphony No 2 (first movement); Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 4 (second and third movements) and Sibelius's Finlandia.†
12.15 **Don Giovanni at Dinner:** Athena Ensemble play works including Joseph Triebensee's Menuetto con Variazioni on a theme from Don Giovanni, and Mozart's selection from Don Giovanni (arranged by Triebensee).† 1.00 **News.**
1.05 **Granados:** Eric Parkin, piano, plays Goyescas, Los requiebros, Coloquio en la reja, El fandango de candil, and other works.†
2.00 **Otto Klemperer:** third of six programmes of works he conducted. Includes Mahler's Das Lied von der Erde (soloists Ludwig and Wunderlich); Stravinsky's suite Pulcinella; and Brahms's Violin Concerto (David Oistrakh, soloist).†
5.00 **Jazz Record Requests:** with Peter Clayton.
5.45 **Critics Forum:** Richard Cork (chairman), John Peter, Jonathan Raban and Hilary Spurling discuss, inter alia, David Rare's film Wetherby; and the Radio 3 play King Canute.
6.35 **Schubert:** Brandis Quartet of Berlin play the String Quartet in D minor D 810 (Death and the Maiden).†
7.15 **Catch:** William Nighy reads N J Warburton's short story.
7.30 **Royal Liverpool Philharmonic** (under Handford). With John Lill, piano. Part one. Berlioz's overture Beatrice and Benedict; Beethoven's Piano Concerto No 5. At 8.25, Anna Calder-Marshall reads the final instalment of Marie Bashkirtseff's journal The Old Age of My youth.
8.45 **Concert:** part two. Vaughan Williams's Symphony No 9.†
9.30 **Talk:** Judge T Koopmans, a senior judge of the European Court in Luxembourg explains what the law can contribute to the development of the EEC.
9.50 **Early Music Centre Festival.** English Concert (under Pinnock), with Paul Esswood (counter-tenor)and David Reichenberg (oboe). Part one. Vivaldi's Concerto for string orchestra in D, RV 129; Concerto for oboe and orchestra in A minor, RV 461; and Stabat Mater, RV 621. Interval reading at 10.25. At 10.30, Albinoni's Concerto a 5 for violin and strings Op 5 No 9; Vivaldi's Concerto in D minor RV 565; and two arias.†
11.00 **Norway after Grieg:** Recordings of Mortensen's Symphony, Op 5; Knut Nystedt's Ichthys for orchestra.†
11.57 **News.** 12.00 **Closedown.**
VHF only: Open University. 6.35am to 6.55.



Sally Oppenheim MP: Any Questions? (Radio 4, 1.10 pm)

### Radio 2

4.00am **Arthur Murphy.**† 6.00 **George Ferguson.**† 8.05 **David Jacobs.**† 10.00 **Sounds of the 60s.**† 11.00 **Album Time.**† 1.00pm **The Impressionists.** 1.30 **Sport on 2.** Includes 5.00 **Classified Football results.** 5.40 **Racing results.** 5.55 **Pools news and football results.** 6.00 **Folk on 2.** 7.00 **Beat the Record.** 7.30 **The Magic of D'Oyly Carte.** from the Royal Festival Hall. Featuring former members of the D'Oyly Carte Opera Company. Special guest presenter is John Reed. Soloists include Kenneth Sandford, Lorraine Daniels, Patricia Leonard, Vivian Tierney and Meston Reid. A live transmission from the Royal Festival Hall in London. 9.30 **Big Band Special.**† 10.05 **Steve Jones.**† 12.05am **Night Owls.**† 1.00 **Nightride.**† 3.00-4.00 **Wally Whyton introduces Country Concert.**†

### Radio 1

6.00am **Mark Page.** 8.00 **Peter Powell.** 10.00 **Dave Lee Travis.** 1.00pm **Punk to Present.**† 2.00 **Paul Gambaccini.**† 4.00 **Saturday Live.**† 6.30 **In Concert.** With Big Sound Authority, and Scary Thieves.† 7.30 **Phil Kennedy.** 9.30-12.00am **Dixie Peach.** VHF Radios 1 & 2: 4.00am With Radio 2. 1.00pm With Radio 1. 7.30-4.00am With Radio 2.

### WORLD SERVICE

6.00am Newsdesk. 7.00 World News. 7.09 Twenty Four Hours. 7.30 From The Weeklies. 7.45 Network UK. 8.00 World News. 8.09 Reflections. 8.15 A Jolly Good Show. 9.00 World News. 9.09 Review Of The British Press. 9.15 The World Today. 9.30 Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Romantic Piano. 10.00 News Summary. 10.01 That's Trad. 10.15 Letter From America. 10.30 People and Politics. 11.00 World News. 11.09 News About Britain. 11.15 About Britain. 12.00 Radio Newsreel. 12.15 Anything Goes. 12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 World News. 1.09 Twenty Four Hours. 1.30 Network UK. 1.45 Country Music Profile. 2.00 News Summary. 2.01 Music Now. 2.30 Album Time. 3.00 Radio Newsreel. 3.15 Saturday Special. 4.00 World News. 4.09 Commentary. 4.15 Saturday Special. 5.00 News Summary. 5.01 Saturday Special. 8.00 World News. 8.15 What's New. 8.30 People And Politics. 10.00 World News. 10.09 From Our Own Correspondent. 10.30 New Ideas. 10.40 Reflections. 10.45 Sports Roundup. 11.00 World News. 11.09 Commentary. 11.15 Letterbox. 11.30 Meridian. 12.00 World News. 12.09 News About Britain. 12.15 Radio Newsreel. 12.30 Play Of The Week: More Out Than In. 2.00 World News. 2.09 Review Of The British Press. 2.15 Kicking Up The Sawdust. 2.30 Sports Review. 3.00 World News. 3.09 News About Britain. 3.15 From Our Own Correspondent. 3.30 My World. 4.00 Newsdesk. 4.30 Out On the Floor. 5.45 Letter From America.

(All times in GMT)

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### Radio 4

On long wave. † also VHF stereo.
5.55 **Shipping.** 6.00 **News Briefing:** Weather. 6.10 Prelude.† 6.30 News; Morning Has Broken. 6.55 Weather; Travel.
7.00 **News.** 7.10 Sunday Papers. 7.15 Apna Hi Ghar Samjhiye. 7.45 Bells. 7.50 Turning Over New Leaves. 7.55 Weather; Travel.
8.00 **News.** 8.10 Sunday Papers. 8.15 Sunday. 8.50 Esther Rantzen's appeal (Stillbirth and Neonatal Death Society). 8.55 Weather; Travel.
9.00 **News.** 9.10 Sunday Papers.
9.15 **Letter from America** by Alistair Cooke.
9.30 **Morning Service** (from St Eugene's Cathedral, Londonderry).
10.15 **The Archers.** Omnibus edition.
11.15 **Weekend.**
12.00 **Smash of the Day: 'Life With the Lyons'.** (Bebe Daniels and Ben Lyon). This programme was first heard in 1952.
12.30 **The Food Programme.** 12.55 **Weather.**
1.00 **The World This Weekend: News.** 1.55 **Shipping.**
2.00 **News: Gardeners' Question Time** visits Avon.
2.30 **Afternoon Play** 'Spotting Egypt') by Mike Walker. With Brian Cox, Norman Jones (r).
4.00 **News; The One Great Scorer.** (Northumbrian point-to-point).
4.30 **The Living World.**
5.00 **News; Travel.**
5.05 **Down Your Way** visits Cleobury Mortimer in Shropshire. 5.50 **Shipping.** 5.55 **Weather.**
6.00 **News.**
6.15 **Feedback.** With Colin Semper.
6.30 **Bookshelf.** (Interview with Philip Ziegler, official biographer of Lord Mountbatten).
7.00 **Travel: The Gold of the Conqueror.** Episode 2 of thriller by Colin Shaw. With Steve Hodson.†
7.30 **Ancient Music Of Ireland.**†
7.50 **A Voice Crying In The Wilderness** (2). Where the Flowers Die.†
8.05 **Law in Action** presented by Joshua Rozenberg.
8.30 **Central America Journey.** Hugh O'Shaughnessy visits Nicaragua.
9.00 **News; The Astonishing History Of Troy Town** by Sir Arthur Quiller-Couch. (2). 9.58 **Weather.**
10.00 **News.**
10.15 **The Dream Child.** A portrait of Charles Lamb (r).
11.00 **Life's Calvaries** with Rev Richard Harris.
11.15 **Inside Parliament.** 12.00-12.15 **News; Weather.** 12.33 **Shipping.**
VHF (available in England and S Wales only) – Radio 4 as above except: 5.55-6.00am Weather; Travel. 6.45-7.45 Open University. 1.55-2.00pm Programme News. 4.00-5.00 Study on 4.

### Radio 3

6.55 **Weather.** 7.00 **News.**
7.05 **Mozart and Ravel:** Ravel's overture Sheherazade; Mozart's Horn Concerto in E flat, K. 447; and Symphony No 28.
8.00 **Schnabel:** Artur and Karl Urich Schnabel play Schubert works including the Andantino varie. D 828; and Four Impromptus D 935. Mono. 9.00 **News.**
9.05 **Your Concert Choice:** Telemann's overture Bergerie Allegresse and Postillons; Quartet in E minor; Martinu's Les fresques de Piero della Francesca; Hindemith's Concerto for viola and orchestra; Smetana's Vltava (Ma Vlast).
10.30 **Music Weekly:** with Michael Oliver. Includes a conversation with Salvatore Accardo.
11.15 **From the 1984 Proms:** City of Birmingham SO (under Rattle) with Yo Yo Ma (cello). Part one. Tippett's Concerto for double string orchestra; Shostakovich's Cello Concerto.
12.10 **Penge Papers:** Brian Wright reads the final instalment of his humorous work.
12.25 **From the Proms:** part two. Nielsen's Symphony No 4.
1.15 **Boccherini and Haydn:** The Composers String Quartet play Boccherini's Quartets in B minor G 245 and in E flat, G 243; and Haydn's Quartet in D minor, Op 76 No 2.
2.05 **Harp Music:** Osian Ellis plays Mathias's Three Improvizations; and Britten's suite Op 83.
2.30 **Vorisek and Tomasek:** Rosemarie Wright, piano, plays Vorisek's Six Variations Op 19; Impromptus Op 7; Nos 1 and 3; and Tomasek's Rapsodia Op 41 No 1; Ecloquest Op 35 Nos 4 and 5; Ecolgue Op 47 No 4.
3.15 **Bach: Mass in B minor.** Karajan conducts the Vienna Singverein and Berlin Phil. Soloists: Janowitz, Ludwig, Schreier, Kerns and Ridderbusch. Part one. Kyrie; Gloria. Interval reading at 4.15 At 4.20 Bach: B minor Mass (part 2). Credo; Sanctus; Agnus Dei.
5.30 **Contemplating the Cosmos:** Professor Lewis Wolpert in conversation with Professor Martin Rees, Professor of Astronomy at the University of Cambridge (r).
6.00 **London Sinfonietta** (Rattle conducting), with Paul Crossley (piano), Phillip Eastop (horn) James Holland (xylorimba), David Johnson (glockenspiel). Messiaen's Des Canyons aux étoiles, parts one and two.
8.55 **The Great Scottish Novel?** A talk by Allan Massie.
7.20 **Concerto:** Part 3 of Des canyons aux étoiles.
8.15 **Players:** Pinter's recollections about two great players from the worlds of theatre and cricket, Anew Mcmaster and Arthur Wellan. With Edward de Souza. Narrated by Pinter.
8.45 **Lieder from the 1984 Salzburg Festival:** Christa Ludwig (mezzo) and Erik Weba (piano). Songs by Strauss and Wolf (Lieder der Mignon).
9.20 **Brahms:** BBC SO (under Wand) play the Symphony No2.
10.00 **Hugo Distler:** BBC Northern Singers (under Wilkinson), with Martyn Hill (tenor). The Choral Passion. The first performance of the work in the United Kingdom.†
11.00 **Cello and piano:** Steven Isserlis (cello) and Paul Coker play Bloch's From Jewish Life; and Rachmaninov's Sonata Op 19.(r).
11.57 **News.** 12.00 **Closedown.**
VHF only: Open University. 6.35am to 6.55.



Anew McMaster: Pinter's Players (Radio 3, 8.15 pm)

### Radio 2

4.00 **Arthur Murphy.**† 6.00 **George Ferguson.**† 7.30 **Good Morning Sunday** 9.00 **Melodies for you.**† 11.00 **Desmond Carrington.**† 1.00 **Two's best.**† 2.00 **Benny Green.**† 3.00 **Sounds Easy.**† 4.00 **Listen to Les.**† 4.30 **Sing Something Simple.**† 5.00 **Charlie Chester.** 6.30 **Vintage Sporting Years** (1966). 7.00 **Niall Murray Sings.** 7.30 **Glamorous Nights.** 8.30 **Sunday Half-hour** from Claremont Parish Church in East Kilbride. 9.00 **Your Hundred Best Tunes.** 10.05 **Songs From the Shows.** The guest singers are Peter Morrison and Joan Baxter. With the BBC Radio Orchestra. 10.45 **Tom Steer** at the Piano. 11.00 **Sounds of Jazz.** 1.00am **Nightride.**† 3.00-4.00 **Two's Best.**†

### Radio 1

6.00am **Mark Page.** 8.00 **Peter Powell.** 10.00 **Steve Wright.** 12.30pm **Jimmy Savile's "Old Record" Club.** In today's edition, the years 1980 and 1975. 2.30 **Adrian Juste.** 4.30 **The Great Rock 'N' Roll Trivia Quiz.** 5.00 **Top 40.**† 7.00 **Anne Nightingale.**† 9.00 **Robbie Vincent.**† 11.00-12.00am **Gary Byrd's Sweet Inspirations.**† VHF Radios 1 & 2, 4.00am With Radio 2. 5.00pm With Radio 1. 12.00-4.00am With Radio 2.

### SUNDAY'S WORLD SERVICE

6.00 **Newsdesk.** 7.00 **World News.** 7.09 **Twenty Four Hours.** 7.30 **From Our Own Correspondent.** 7.50 **Letter From London.** 8.00 **World News.** 8.09 **Reflections.** 8.15 **The Pleasure's Yours.** 9.00 **World News.** 9.09 **Review of the British Press.** 9.15 **Sports Review.** 9.45 **In Spite of Ourselves.** 10.00 **News Summary.** 10.01 **Short Story.** 10.15 **Classical Record Review.** 10.30 **Sunday Service.** 11.00 **World News.** 11.09 **News About Britain.** 11.15 **From Our Own Correspondent.** 1.00 **World News.** 1.09 **Twenty-Four Hours.** 1.30 **Goldfinger.** 1.45 **The Sandi Jones Request Show.** 2.00 **News Summary.** 2.30 **The Arts.** 3.00 **Radio Newsreel.** 3.15 **Concert Hall.** 4.00 **World News.** 4.09 **Commentary.** 4.15 **Time Remembered.** 4.45 **Letter From America.** 5.00 **World News.** 5.09 **Meridian.** 5.40 **Reflections.** 8.00 **World News.** 9.15 **The Pleasure's Yours.** 10.00 **World News.** 10.08 **At Home With ...** 10.25 **Words.** 10.30 **Financial Review.** 10.40 **Reflections.** 10.45 **Sports Roundup.** 11.00 **World News.** 11.09 **Commentary.** 11.15 **Letter From America.** 11.30 **Time Remembered.** 12.00 **World News.** 12.09 **News About Britain.** 12.15 **Radio Newsreel.** 12.30 **Religious Service.** 1.00 **News Summary.** 1.01 **Hardy's Wessex.** 1.45 **The Classical Guitar.** 2.00 **World News.** 2.09 **Review of the British Press.** 2.15 **Good Books.** 2.30 **Music Now.** 3.00 **World News.** 3.09 **News About Britain.** 3.15 **Mediterranean Dialogue.** 3.30 **Anything Goes.** 4.00 **Newsdesk.** 4.30 **Goldfinger.** 5.45 **Recording of the Week.**

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*Regional television variations are on the facing page*


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# Scope of job share schemes widened

The Government yesterday announced a package to widen the scope of its job splitting and part-time release schemes in a new attempt to reduce unemployment.

Mr Alan Clarke, junior employment minister, said in a Commons written reply, that the changes were also designed to encourage changes in working patterns.

There has been criticism that the scheme, announced last year, has had little effect on reducing unemployment. Yesterday's announcement is designed to make the schemes more attractive to employers. It will increase the Government grant to each employer operating the job splitting scheme from £750 to £840.

Other changes in the job splitting scheme – designed to encourage employers to divide existing full-time appointments into two part-time jobs – will allow employers to create two new part-time jobs which must be filled by people leaving other Government schemes, notably the youth training scheme.

One of the major attacks on the Government's youth training schemes has been that youngsters have been unable to find work after completing them.

An innovation announced in the package will allow employers to create a part-time job from combining the regular overtime hours of existing full time jobs.

Other changes will remove the restrictions in the current rules on the time allowed for part-time workers to work or train alongside each other.

More flexibility will also be allowed in the working arrangements to be adopted, by assessing hours of the part-time jobs to be averaged over a 13-week period.

For the first time a grant of £840 will be payable to an employer supporting a successful application under the part-time job release scheme. The allowance will include a supplement of £4 to make the scheme more attractive

New rules for the job splitting scheme will apply from April 1 and the new rules for the part-time job release scheme from April 29.

# Pope and his cardinals get down to work



**A scene not often seen: Pope John Paul presiding yesterday at the Vatican meeting of the council of the International Synod of Bishops, which is preparing for November's special meeting of the synod to review the 20 years since the close of the Second Vatican Council (Clifford Longley writes).**

**The Pope is being addressed by Cardinal Paul Zougrana, of Ouagadougou, and behind him are Cardinal Basil Hume, of Westminster, and Cardinal Joseph Bernardin, of Chicago. The council is elected by members of the synod, who are in turn elected by the world's episcopal conferences.**

**The synod, with more than 100 members, meets every two or three years to discuss one main theme, and its next regular meeting is due in October next year, to discuss the role of the laity in the church.**

**Neither the synod nor its council has direct executive power, except over its own affairs, but it advises the Pope on policy**

# Cruise to be immediately deployed in Belgium

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that, therefore, a complimentary agreement would have to be reached on space weapons."

All this meant that the negotiations would be very long. Mr Martens said and "In these circumstances there is no further reason to delay deployment."

He insisted, however, that the decision was "neither aggressive nor hostile". To a chorus of cheers and jeers, he said it was done only to re-establish the balance of forces and to act as "a deterrent without which the security of the country would be severely compromised."

Mr Martens promised MPs that the missiles on Belgian soil would only be used for defence, after the fullest consultations within the Nato alliance.

There were a series of conditions affecting whether or not the remaining 32 missiles Belgium is scheduled to take will be deployed. This depended on the state of negotiations at the end of 1987.

If there is agreement by then on the so-called "zero option" of no missiles in Europe, there would be no need for deployment. If there was agreement on a limited number of weapons, Belgium would expect to see its share reduced in proportion. If talks were continuing, there would be a further six month delay to give them a chance of success. At the end of that time, by mid-1988, the remaining 32 would be deployed. The missiles would be automatically deployed if the talks failed before the end of 1987.

The members of Mr Martens's Government, which had been deeply divided on the issue, all rose to applaud him. The Socialists, who are against deployment, sat in silence.

# Fear and tension on Israel's frontline

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*this week. I had seen them* driven through Tyre afterwards, their legs dangling from the back of a military ambulance.

Two of Amir's comrades – they were all from Haifa – walked up. A bearded, balding *soldier named Moses, a house*painter by trade, referred to the Lebanon war as a disaster. Afi, wearing sunglasses, stood next to him.

"We have a problem here", he said. "We won over the PLO, but we now have the Shia problem. They use suicide bombers who are crazy. We are not fighting an army now. We are faced with guerrillas

*The punishment they are* taking from the guerrillas is making itself felt on the Israelis. Most of the frontline *soldiers I spoke to yesterday* were unshaven. Already, they have evacuated one base in Tyre and merged their military command – led by two colonels who call themselves Gaby and Arik – with the Shin Bet intelligence complex next to the old Lebanese Army barracks.

The guerrillas are now firing at them from the very centre of Tyre and attacking any shop or house which is owned by suspected collaborators. On Thursday night, I saw a bomb detonated at a supermarket on the waterfront, an explosion that burned in a dull red pyre for five seconds as the sound waves shattered the night over the ancient city.

Shin Bet have released several of their prisoners in the past 24 hours, including Mr Khalil Bahsoun, a telephone operator who was questioned repeatedly by Israeli agents about the movements of *The Times* correspondent.

**Letter from New York**

# Texas mega-rich feel the pinch

Buddy, can you spare a million? In Dallas, the real Dallas, some of the real millionaires and billionaires have found that their lovely Texas money has the life expectancy of ice cream in the sun.

They hear creditors and bankruptcy lawyers baying like foxhounds on Boxing Day. The days when larky mega-rich fellows used $100 bills for bow-ties now seem far away.

Consider, for example, the plight of the Hunt Brothers, Bunker and Herbert, billionaires both, and big men to boot, whose oilman father, H. L. Hunt, was known as the *richest man in* the world. These days the Hunt boys seem to have holes in their pockets a gold Cadillac could drive through.

Bad business deals and a slump in sugar, oil, silver and property have lost them hundreds of millions of dollars and left them swamped in lawsuits, unable to pay $295 million in debts. Cheques from one of their subsidiaries are bouncing, another is bankrupt and (it never rains but it pours) the Reagan Government is demanding $200 million in back taxes.

Hunt lawyers are fighting that demand, just as they are denying official charges that five years ago the brothers tried to corner the silver market by illegal manipulation. That was the Great *Silver Wheeze in which bulk*-buying Bunker and Herbert accumulated the greatest private silver hoard in history. *The price rocketed, then* plummeted.

The Hunts, who hung on to their treasure too long, lost *about $1.5 billion and had to* borrow $1.1 billion to help cover the loss. Bunker even had to pledge his Rolex.

This collapse of the stout Texas parties left the Washington establishment hugging itself in *schadenfreude*. The *Hunts were hauled before* Congress to account for themselves, though the unspoken charges were that they were bloated-rich and arrogant.

When a Congressman demanded to know just how bloated, Bunker disarmed everyone by saying innocently: "My Daddy always said people who know how much they're worth usually aren't worth much."

Daddy himself once said that "money is nothing, just something to make the bookkeeping convenient." At the time he was earning about a million dollars a week from the great East Texas oilfield, and saving money by cutting *his own hair and taking* sandwiches to work.

He did not stint in one area, though. He started a second family of four children, while running a first of five, neglecting to tell the second wife he was already married. Later he had a third family of four.

No doubt the Dallas Hunts will be able to reorganize their multifaceted business and solve their little cash-flow problem, and Herbert will be able to give more time to his collection of bronzes and Bunker to his racehorse breeding and Greek urns.

The Hunts are not the only ones with burnt fingers. Claiming they are owed $320 million, banks and other creditors are petitioning for the bankruptcy of an oilfield servicing business owned by multimillionaires Cullen Davis and brother Ken, of Fort Worth.

Another Texan Croesus in trouble is Clint Murchison, of Dallas, who last year sold the Dallas Cowboys football team *for $60 million to pay off* debts as his property deals went sour.

He inherited a fortune from *his oilman father who once,* finding a $500,000 discrepancy in a deal with another oilman, settled the matter by tossing a coin. And lost.

Meanwhile, another former millionaire, Pat Holloway, who used to get about $25 million a year from an oil company, has applied for bankruptcy to protect his assets in a bitter legal feud in Dallas with his ex-partner's socialite wife over ownership of the company. Now read on.

As a nasty squabble, it beats *Dallas*. Big Bunker Hunt says one should never worry about money.

**Trevor Fishlock**

## THE TIMES INFORMATION SERVICE

### Today's events

**New exhibitions**

Photographs of Newport's Industry: Museum and Art Gallery, John Frost Sq, Newport: Mon to Thurs 10 to 5.30, Fri 10 to 4.30, Sat 9.30 to 4 *(ends April 20)*.

Archaeology's Action Men: Inverness Museum and Art Gallery, Castle Wynd: Mon to Sat 9 to 5 (ends April 13).

Beauty from the Colour Box, Part 1: 18th and early 19th century *watercolours: Gallery 16: City* Museum and Art Gallery, Chamberlain Sq, **Birmingham**: Mon to Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5 (ends May 27).

**Music**

Concert by the Belfast Baroque Consort: Harty Room, Queen's University, **Belfast**, 8.

Verdi's *Requiem Mass* performed by St Edmundsbury Bach Choir and Orchestra: **Bury St Edmunds** Cathedral, 7.30.

Concert by Coggeshall School of Music Choir and Brass Band: St Peter's Church, **Coggeshall**, 7.30.

Recital by the Coull String Quartet with Richard Markham (piano): Campus West Theatre, **Welwyn Garden City**, 7.45.

*St Matthew Passion*, by the Bath Bach Choir and the Tilford Festival Orchestra; **Bath** Abbey, 7.

Bach-Handel concert by the Gainsborough Consort with Ann Thomas (contralto): The Guildhall, **Lavenham, Suffolk**, 7.30.

Concert by the Brandis Quartet of Berlin: Gracie Fields Theatre, **Rochdale**, 7.30.

Concert by the Cambridge Symphony Orchestra: The Guildhall, **Cambridge**, 7.30.

Handel's oratorio *Samson* by the choirs of St George's School for Girls and Fettes College: St Stephen's Church, **Stockbridge**, Edinburgh, 7.30 (today and Sun).

**General**

Craft Fayre: De La Warr Pavilion, **Bexhill-on-Sea**, 10.

Harlaxton Manor Spring craft festival: Harlaxton Manor **Grantham**, 10.30 to 6 (today and Sun).

### Tomorrow

**Royal engagements**

Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother presents the Shamrock to the 1st Battalion Irish Guards, Munster, Germany, 10.10.

Princess Anne attends A Gala Night of a Hundred Stars, Olivier Theatre, London, 7.55.

**Music**

Concert by the Stansby Recorder Trio: Abbey Park House, Abbey Park Place, **Dunfermline**, 7.30.

Concert by the Perth Choral Society: City Hall, **Perth**, 7.30.

Recital by Janet Hilton (clarinet) and Keith Swallow (piano): **Weymouth** Grammar School, 3.

Organ recital by Gillian Weir: Trinity College Chapel, **Cambridge**, 8.

Concert by the University of Essex Choir with the Essex Sinfonia: Essex University Lecture) Theatre Block, **Colchester**, 6.30.

Violin and piano recital by John Cooper and Pauline Johnson: Tintagel House, Meadowbank Rd, **Sheffield**, 3.

**General**

Mothers Day Steaming – passenger and freight trains and travelling Post Office demonstration: Didcot Railway Centre, Oxon, 11 to 5.

### In the garden

If you are thinking about buying flowers for Mother's Day tomorrow, why not give a pot plant that could be planted out in the garden later? The Japanese azaleas on sale now are hardy. You will probably find that in pots of twos there are two or more plants. These may be separated and potted singly or planted out in due course.

Give the lawn its first feed and buy enough fertilizer to give a *second feed in a month's time.* Smarten up the lawn by trimming the edges. Or true them up with a half moon edging tool or a spade if they have been trodden down.

Check that tree ties and strings holding labels on branches are not cutting into the bark. Loosen and retie or renew if they are, as they can cause the death of a branch or even of a tree or shrub.

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### Gardens open

P Plants for sale.

TODAY AND TOMORROW

**Cambridgeshire**: The Crossing House Meldreth Rd, Shepreth, 8m SW of Cambridge *9m W of A10 Cambridge-Royston road: Small* cottage garden, alpines and alpine house open daily throughout year 2 to 7 **Dorset**: Abbotsbury Gardens, 9m NW of Weymouth, 9m SW of Dorchester off B3157 Weymouth-Bridport road: 20 acres, fine collection of *rhododendrons, camellias and wide variety of* tender and unusual trees and shrubs, open daily until Oct 13: 10-5. **Hampshire**: Furzey Gardens, Minstead, NW of Lyndhurst: 8 acres, many interesting trees and shrubs, large collection of heathers, daily, winter 10 to dusk, *summer 10 to 5*. **Suffolk**: *Priests* House Gardens, Fixton, 2½ miles S of Bungay off B1062 midway between Bungay and Homersfield: 3 acres, fine shrubs of interest to gardeners and flower arrangers, daily: until October 31: 11 to dusk: P

### Roads

**Wales and the West: M4:** Lane restrictions between junctions 32 (Cardiff) and 34 (Pyle-ndale); lane closures in both directions. **A5:** Temporary traffic lights in use on the Betws-y-coed to Corwen Rd at Gerrigydrudion; also temporary lights at Maerdy (24hrs). **M50:** East and westbound lane closures at junction 1 (Tewkesbury); and contraflow on eastbound carriageway at junction 2 (A417 Ledbury).

**The North: A19:** Contraflow near Picton junction adjacent to the northbound carriageway, Yorks. **A58:** Wigan Rd closed at Westoughton, Bolton, from the junction with Southfield Drive. **A1:** Contraflow until May 19 at Seghill bridge on A1 Tyne Tunnel northern approach road

**A77:** Inside lane closure along Kilmarnock by-pass, between Bellfield (A71) and Fenwick. **A725:** Contraflow on East Kilbride expressway between Whirlies roundabout (A749) East Kilbride and B7012 junction, delays. **A7:** Single line traffic with lights 5 miles N of Hawick.

Information supplied by the AA

### Anniversaries

TODAY

*Deaths:* ***Giovanni*** Pergolesi, composer, Pozzuoli, Italy, 1736; J. R. Macleod, physiologist, Nobel laureate 1923, Aberdeen, 1935; Sir Austen Chamberlain, Foreign Secretary *1924-29*, Nobel laureate (Peace) 1925, London 1937; Constantin Brancusi, sculptor, Paris, 1957; **William Beveridge**, 1st Baron Beveridge, sociologist, Oxford, 1963.

### The pound

| | Bank Buys | Bank Sells |
|---|---|---|
| Australia $ | 1.63 | 1.55 |
| Austria Sch | 28.50 | 25.30 |
| Belgium Fr | 76.10 | 72.60 |
| Canada $ | 1.56 | 1.48 |
| Denmark Kr | 13.55 | 12.90 |
| Finland Mkk | 7.58 | 7.48 |
| France Fr | 11.55 | 11.00 |
| Germany DM | 3.78 | 3.60 |
| Greece Dr | 162.00 | 151.00 |
| Hong Kong $ | 8.80 | 8.25 |
| Ireland Pt | 1.220 | 1.163 |
| Italy Lira | 2575.00 | 2265.00 |
| Japan Yen | 295.00 | 279.00 |
| Netherlands Gld | 4.27 | 4.07 |
| Norway Kr | 10.83 | 10.33 |
| Portugal Esc | 204.00 | 194.00 |
| South Africa Rd | 2.55 | 2.25 |
| Spain Pta | 207.00 | 197.00 |
| Sweden Kr | 10.70 | 10.20 |
| Switzerland Fr | 3.21 | 3.07 |
| USA $ | 1.12 | 1.07 |
| Yugoslavia Dnr | 282.00 | 266.00 |

Rates for small denomination bank notes only, as supplied by Barclays Bank PLC. Different rates apply to travellers cheques and other foreign currency business.

Retail Price Index: 359.8.

London: The *FT* closed up 12.4 at 1002.5.

### Portfolio

*For readers who may have* missed a copy of *The Times* this week, we repeat below the week's *Portfolio* price changes *(today's are on page 18)*.

| Share No. | Mon | Tues | Wed | Thur | Fri | Sat | Weekly Total |
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| 1 | +2 | +2 | +2 | +1 | +2 | | |
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| 38 | +6 | +6 | +5 | −5 | +3 | | |
| 39 | +4 | +1 | +3 | +1 | +1 | | |
| 40 | +5 | +7 | +2 | +2 | −1 | | |

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### Weather

**A cold NW airstream will cover the British Isles.**

**6am to midnight**

**London, SE, central S, SW England:** Sunny at first, becoming cloudy later with snow in places, wind NW moderate, max temp 7C (45F)

**East Anglia, Midlands, E, NW, central N England, Wales:** Bright start, outbreaks of snow spreading from N, wind NW moderate, max temp 5C (42F).

**Channel Islands:** Sunny periods scattered showers, wind NW moderate, max temp 7C (45F)

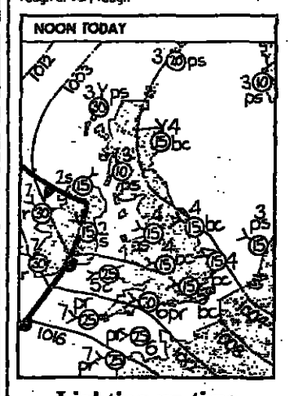
**Lake District, Isle of Man, NW Scotland, Glasgow, Argyll, Northern Ireland:** Cloudy, outbreaks of snow, heavy and prolonged in places brighter with snow showers later, wind NW moderate or fresh locally strong, max temp 5C (41F).

**NE England, Borders, Edinburgh, Dundee, Aberdeen, Central Highlands, Moray Firth, NE Scotland:** Snow showers, some heavy and prolonged, sunny intervals, wind NW moderate or fresh, max temp 5C (41F).

**Orkney, Shetland:** *Sunny intervals, snow* showers, wind NW moderate or fresh, max temp 2C (36F)

**Outlook for tomorrow and Monday:** Sunny intervals and wintry showers, prolonged in parts of the N and E, dying out later; cloud and rain, preceded by sleet or snow, spreading to some W and central areas during Monday; cold or very cold, becoming less cold in W later

**SEA PASSAGES: S North Sea:** Wind NW strong becoming moderate, visibility good; *wintry showers, sea rough becoming* moderate **Straight of Dover, English Channel (E):** Wind W veering NW strong or gale, visibility good becoming moderate or poor; wintry showers, sea rough or very rough. **St George's Channel:** Wind NW strong or gale, *visibility moderate or good; wintry showers;* sea rough or very rough **Irish Sea:** Wind cyclonic becoming N strong or gale; visibility moderate becoming good; wintry showers; sea rough or very rough




### Lighting-up time

TODAY
London 6.37 pm to 5.41 am
Bristol 6.46 pm to 5.50 am
*Edinburgh 6.48 pm to 5.53 am*
Manchester 6.45 pm to 5.48 am
Penzance 6.59 pm to 6.02 am

TOMORROW
London 6.39 pm to 5.38 am
Bristol 6.48 pm to 5.48 am
Edinburgh 6.50 pm to 5.51 am
Manchester 6.47 pm to 5.47 am
Penzance 7.00 pm to 6.00 am

### Yesterday

Temperatures at midday yesterday: c, cloud; f, fair; r, rain; s, sun; si sleet.

| | | C | F | | | C | F |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Belfast | si | 3 | 37 | Guernsey | c | 6 | 43 |
| Birmingham | r | 5 | 41 | Inverness | c | 3 | 37 |
| Blackpool | c | 3 | 37 | Jersey | c | 7 | 45 |
| Bristol | c | 7 | 45 | London | c | 5 | 41 |
| Cardiff | r | 7 | 45 | Manchester | r | 2 | 36 |
| Edinburgh | s | 3 | 37 | Newcastle | c | 5 | 41 |
| Glasgow | c | 4 | 39 | Ronaldsway | f | 6 | 43 |

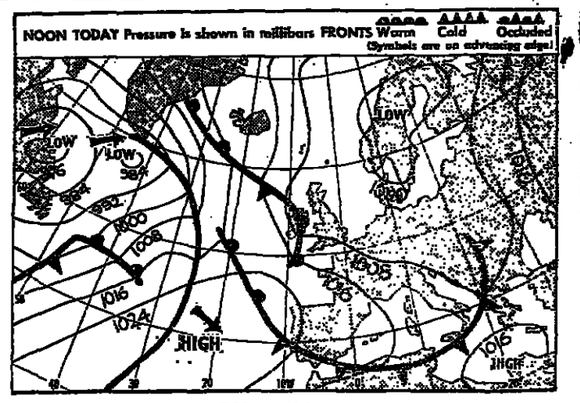
### London

Yesterday: Temp max 6 am to 6 pm, 7C (45F), min 6 pm to 6 am, 1C (34F). Humidity: 6 pm, 77 per cent. Rain 24hr to 6 pm, 0.05in. Sun: 24hr to 6 pm, 4.3hr. Bar, mean sea level, 6 pm 1 002.6 millibars 1 000 millibars = 29.53in.

### Highest and lowest

Yesterday: Highest day temp, Newquay, Isles of Scilly 10C (50F), lowest day max: Wick 1C (34F) highs: rainfall: Benbecula 0.47in; highest sunshine: Cromer 8.6hr

NOON TODAY Pressure is shown in millibars FRONTS Warm Cold Occluded (Symbols are on advancing edge)




### High tides

| TODAY | AM | HT | PM | HT | TOMORROW | AM | HT | PM | HT |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| London Bridge | 9 24 | 5.9 | 10.00 | 5.7 | London Bridge | 10 58 | 6.0 | 11.27 | 6.0 |
| Aberdeen | 9 35 | 3.2 | 10 40 | 3.4 | Aberdeen | 10.45 | 3 4 | 11 37 | 3.6 |
| Avonmouth | 2.32 | 9.5 | 3.19 | 9 5 | Avonmouth | 4 01 | 10 0 | 4.44 | 10.2 |
| Belfast | 7 07 | 2 8 | 7 57 | 2 8 | Belfast | 8.22 | 2 9 | 8.57 | 2.9 |
| Cardiff | 2 17 | 8 9 | 3 04 | 8 9 | Cardiff | 3 49 | 9 4 | 4.29 | 9 6 |
| Devonport | 1 07 | 4.2 | 2.14 | 4.0 | Devonport | 2 50 | 4.4 | 3.38 | 4.3 |
| Dover | 7 03 | 5 1 | 7.51 | 5.1 | Dover | 8 39 | 5 3 | 9.03 | 5.4 |
| Falmouth | 12 57 | 4 0 | 1.44 | 3 8 | Falmouth | 2 29 | 4 2 | 3.08 | 4 1 |
| Glasgow | 8 24 | 3.7 | 9 26 | 3 7 | Glasgow | 10 32 | 3.9 | 11 02 | 3.9 |
| Harwich | 7.37 | 3.2 | 8 13 | 3 1 | Harwich | 8 57 | 3 4 | 9 24 | 3 3 |
| Holyhead | 6 39 | 4 4 | 7 38 | 4 4 | Holyhead | 7 52 | 4 6 | 8 37 | 4 6 |
| Hull | 2 05 | 5 7 | 2.33 | 5 8 | Hull | 3 39 | 5 9 | 3 52 | 6 1 |
| Ilfracombe | 1 37 | 6.7 | 2.30 | 6 7 | Ilfracombe | 3.11 | 7 2 | 3 49 | 7 3 |
| Leith | 10 55 | 4 4 | 11.42 | 4 6 | Leith | – | – | 12 9 | 4 6 |
| Liverpool | 7 13 | 7 3 | 8.06 | 7 3 | Liverpool | 8 33 | 7 5 | 9 14 | 7 8 |
| Lowestoft | 5 36 | 2 1 | 5 49 | 1 9 | Lowestoft | 6 57 | 2.1 | 6.56 | 2 0 |
| Margate | 3 9 | 6.16 | 3.8 | 3.6 | Margate | 9 25 | 4 0 | 9 42 | 4 0 |
| Milford Haven | 1 57 | 5 1 | 2 54 | 5 1 | Milford Haven | 3 29 | 5 5 | 4 07 | 5 5 |
| Newquay | 12 56 | 5 3 | 1 52 | 5 2 | Newquay | 2 29 | 5 8 | 3 02 | 5 6 |
| Oban | 2 51 | 3 0 | 3.44 | 2 9 | Oban | 3 51 | 3 2 | 4.31 | 3 1 |
| Penzance | 12 23 | 4 2 | 1 25 | 4 0 | Penzance | 1 58 | 4 4 | 2 42 | 4 3 |
| Portland | 2 0 | 1.3 | 3.26 | 1 2 | Portland | 3 45 | 1 5 | 4 42 | 1 4 |
| Portsmouth | 7 27 | 3.6 | 8 33 | 3 7 | Portsmouth | 8 46 | 3 7 | 9 35 | 3 9 |
| Shoreham | 7 04 | 4 7 | 8 02 | 4 8 | Shoreham | 8.29 | 4 9 | 9.11 | 5 2 |
| Southampton | 7 04 | 3 7 | 8 08 | 3 8 | Southampton | 8 24 | 3.7 | 9 12 | 4 0 |
| Swansea | 2 02 | 7 0 | 2.51 | 7 0 | Swansea | 3 31 | 7 4 | 4.12 | 7 5 |
| Tees | | | 12.08 | 4.1 | Tees | 1 03 | 4 3 | 1 18 | 4 4 |
| Walton-on-Naze | 7.31 | 3 3 | 8.06 | 3 2 | Walton-on-Naze | 8.58 | 3 5 | 9.21 | 3 4 |

TODAY
Sun rises: 6.13 am Sun sets: 6.07 pm
Moon rises: 4.49 am Moon sets: 12 11 pm
New Moon, March 21.

TOMORROW
Sun rises: 6 11 am Sun sets: 6 09 pm
Moon rises: 5.21 am Moon sets: 1.26 pm
New Moon: March 21.

### Around Britain

| | Sun hr | Rain in | Max C | Max F | | Sun hrs | Rain in | Max C | Max F | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| **EAST COAST** | | | | | **WEST COAST** | | | | | |
| Scarboro | 5.9 | .26 | 6 | 43 | Snow | Ilfracombe | 7.2 | – | 8 | 46 | Cloudy |
| Bridlington | 7.4 | .05 | 7 | 45 | Sunny | Tenby | 6.4 | .05 | 8 | 46 | Sunny |
| Cromer | 8.8 | – | 7 | 45 | Sunny | Colwyn Bay | 2.3 | .13 | 7 | 45 | Sleet |
| Lowestoft | 5.5 | – | 7 | 45 | Hail | Southport | 3.0 | .06 | 5 | 41 | Snow |
| Clacton | 5.2 | .04 | 5 | 41 | Sunny | Morecambe | 8.0 | .05 | 6 | 43 | Snow |
| Margate | – | .04 | 5 | 41 | Snow pm | Douglas | 4.9 | .05 | 5 | 41 | Hail |
| **SOUTH COAST** | | | | | **ENGLAND AND WALES** | | | | | |
| Folkestone | 4.4 | .01 | 7 | 45 | Showers pm | London (Curl) | 4.3 | .05 | 7 | 45 | Thunder |
| Hastings | 5.8 | .03 | 8 | 46 | Showers | B'ham (Airpt) | 3.4 | – | 8 | 46 | Hail |
| Eastbourne | 6.7 | .02 | 7 | 45 | Bright | Bristol (Curl) | 4.6 | .01 | 8 | 46 | Hail pm |
| Brighton | – | .09 | 6 | 43 | Hail pm | *Cardiff (Curl)* | 5.3 | .02 | 8 | 46 | Hail pm |
| Worthing | 4.5 | .04 | 6 | 43 | Showers | Anglesey | 4.7 | .11 | 7 | 45 | Snow shwrs |
| Littlehampton | | | | | | B'pool (Airpt) | 4.7 | .13 | 6 | 43 | Hail |
| Bognor R | 5.1 | .06 | 8 | 46 | Showers pm | Manchester | 1.5 | .21 | 5 | 41 | Snow |
| Southsea | 3.8 | .02 | 9 | 48 | Showers pm | Nottingham | 1.5 | .07 | 7 | 45 | Snow |
| Sandown | 4.8 | – | 8 | 46 | Sunny | N'cas-n-Tyne | 5.3 | – | 5 | 41 | Snow pm |
| Shanklin | 5.0 | – | 8 | 46 | Showers pm | Carlisle | 2.4 | .01 | 5 | 41 | Hail pm |
| Bournemth | 3.4 | .05 | 8 | 46 | Hail sm | **SCOTLAND** | | | | | |
| Poole | 4.4 | – | 9 | 48 | Bright | Eskdalemuir | 2.4 | .01 | 3 | 37 | Snow |
| Swanage | 4.2 | .05 | 8 | 46 | Bright | Prestwick | 2.7 | .04 | 4 | 39 | Hail pm |
| Weymouth | 4.7 | – | 8 | 46 | Bright am | Glasgow | 3.3 | .03 | 4 | 39 | Snow |
| Exmouth | 6.5 | .01 | 9 | 48 | Hail pm | Tiree | 3.0 | .19 | 4 | 39 | Snow |

### Abroad

MIDDAY: c, cloud; d, drizzle; f, fair; fg, fog; r, rain; s, sun; sn, snow; si sleet.

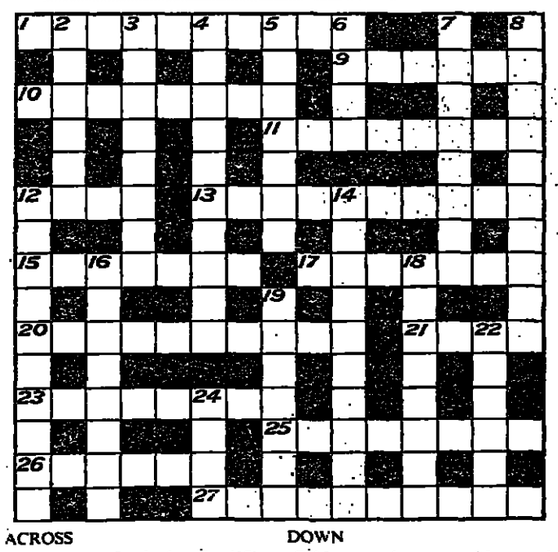
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| Alexandria | s | 22 | 72 | Corfu | r | 11 | 52 | Malta | f | 16 | 61 |
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| Amsterdam | f | 4 | 39 | Dubrovnik | c | 10 | 50 | Mexico C* | f | 19 | 66 |
| Athens | c | 15 | 59 | Faro | s | 16 | 61 | Miami* | c | 28 | 82 |
| Bahrain | s | 33 | 73 | Florence | c | 13 | 55 | Milan | c | 10 | 50 |
| Barbados* | s | 27 | 81 | Frankfurt | r | 3 | 37 | Montreal* | c | 23 | 73 |
| Barcelona | f | 12 | 54 | Funchal | f | 17 | 63 | Moscow | c | 6 | 43 |
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| Berlin | f | 4 | 39 | Helsinki | sn | 0 | 32 | Naples | f | 11 | 52 |
| Bermuda* | s | 20 | 68 | Hong Kong | f | 15 | 59 | New Delhi | s | 28 | 79 |
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| Budapest | c | 4 | 39 | Karachi | s | 30 | 86 | Peking | s | 8 | 46 |
| Buen Aires* | s | 33 | 82 | Las Palmas | c | 19 | 66 | Perth | f | 31 | 88 |
| Cairo* | s | 20 | 68 | Lisbon | s | 14 | 57 | Prague | f | 4 | 39 |
| Capo Tx | c | 15 | 59 | Locarno | s | 14 | 57 | Reykjavik | o | -4 | 25 |
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| Chicago* | c | 7 | 45 | Luxembg | sn | 1 | 34 | Riyadh | s | 33 | 91 |
| Ch'church* | c | 14 | 57 | Madrid | s | 11 | 52 | Rio de Jan | s | 29 | 84 |
| | | | | | | | | Rome | f | 16 | 59 |
| | | | | | | | | Salzburg | f | 4 | 39 |
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| | | | | | | | | Warsaw | r | 3 | 37 |
| | | | | | | | | Washington* | f | 15 | 61 |
| | | | | | | | | Wellington* | s | 14 | 57 |
| | | | | | | | | Zurich | c | 3 | 37 |

* denotes Thursday's figures are latest available

### Snow reports

| | Depth (cm) L | Depth (cm) U | Conditions Piste | Conditions Off Piste | Runs to resort | Weather (5 pm) – | °C |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Crans Montana | 20 | 120 | good | crust | worn | sun | 0 |
| Davos | 45 | 180 | good | powder | fair | sun | |
| Flaine | 80 | 290 | good | varied | sticky | snow | -1 |
| Grindelwald | 40 | 110 | good | powder | good | fine | -10 |
| Gstaad | 35 | 75 | good | power | worn | sun | 4 |
| Kitzbühel | 5 | 65 | worn | powder | closed | snow | 3 |
| Megève | 35 | 140 | icy | crust | fair | fair | 3 |
| St Anton | 30 | 250 | fair | varied | poor | fine | 0 |
| Verbier | 45 | 175 | good | varied | fair | fine | 5 |
| Wengen | 40 | 120 | good | powder | good | cloud | -2 |
| Zermatt | 35 | 180 | good | varied | poor | sun | 4 |

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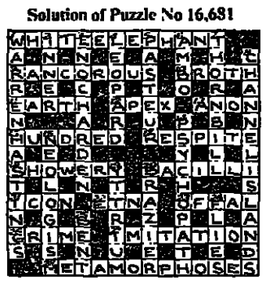
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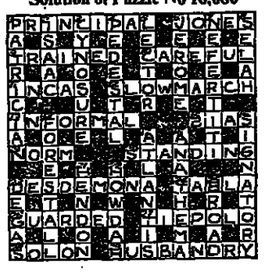
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